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224 Federal Bldg.,  
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May 8, 1933.

RHC:GME  
26-3779.

Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated May 8,  
1933, submitting photograph made from a film developed at  
Joplin, Mo., which picture is of one Clyde Barrow and of a per-  
son suspected of being "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

The picture you forwarded has been submitted to police  
officers at Oklahoma City and to the Identification Bureau of  
the Oklahoma City Police Department, which resulted in diverse  
opinions as to whether or not the second subject in the picture  
is Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd. No one seems to be able  
to definitely state pro or con.


I understand that Douglas E. Walsh, Superintendent of  
the Police Identification Bureau at Dallas, Texas, has expressed  
the opinion that the photograph is that of Floyd.

Very truly yours,

*R. H. Calvin*

R. H. Calvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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430 Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

May 10, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,  
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,  
224 Federal Bldg.,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,  
with aliases; et al.  
K.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of 5/8/35: I am wondering if you could forward the photograph of Clyde Barrow and the other individual to Tulsa, Oklahoma in order that it might be determined by someone there who knows FLOYD, whether in fact Floyd is the companion in the photograph of Barrow.

Mr. Douglas Walsh of the Dallas Police Department is inclined to be of the opinion that the companion of Barrow is Floyd, but is not positive.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:MT  
cc Bureau  
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

FILE NO.

26-4114- 6

REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-15-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/8 & 10/23	REPORT MADE BY: F. S. DUM.
TITLE: FORD COACH, Mr. #222333.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Y-8 Ford Coach, motor #222333, Louisiana 1933 License #222333, stolen at Ruston, Louisiana, 4-25-33, re-covered abandoned 5-1-33 at Coleman, Texas, body riddled with bullets, insurance value \$333.00. Clyde and Marvin Iven Barrow suspected of theft. Also Y-8 Ford Sedan, motor #18176042, Texas License A-14999, insurance value \$333.00, stolen San Angelo, Texas, 4-30-33, Barrow brothers suspected.

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## DETAILS:

Lt. Will Fritz of the Dallas Police Department, advised that about 8:30 A.M., on April 23, 1933, A. G. Thigpen, Sheriff of Ruston, La., telephoned the Police Department at Dallas reporting that at 12:30 A.M., April 23, 1933, a Ford Sedan bearing Louisiana License #222333, had been stolen and that B. B. Barby and Miss Sophie Stone of Ruston, La., had been kidnapped by the party responsible for the theft, and had been released near Waldo, Arkansas; that there were three men and two women in the car at the time. Mr. Fritz stated that later on the same date, Sheriff Thigpen again called and informed him that the couple who had been kidnapped identified the photographs of Clyde and Marvin Iven Barrow as the parties who had kidnapped them that morning.

Upon receiving the above information the Dallas Police Officers covered the home of Mrs. Eunice Barrow, mother of the Barrow Brothers, who operates a filling station on the Eagle Ford Road about two miles from Dallas; that on Monday, May 1, 1933, a telephone call was received from Sheriff Frank Ford of Coleman, Texas, advising that there had been found an abandoned Ford Coach near Coleman, Texas, bearing Louisiana 1933 License #222333, and that same had been riddled with machine gun bullets; also reporting that on

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Sunday, April 30, 1933, a new Ford Sedan bearing Texas 1933 License #A-14993, had been stolen at San Angelo, Texas, and supplied a complete description of this car; that on the night of May 1, the Dallas Officers returned to the home of Mrs. Conie Barrow about 11:30 P.M., and were informed by Scotty Ray, a friend of the Barrows, that Clyde and Marvin Barrow had left about five minutes before the arrival of the police and that they were driving a new Ford Car similar in description to the car stolen at San Angelo, Texas.

Chief of Police Harold Land, Coleman, Texas, advised that on Monday, May 1, 1933, Mr. Eugene Crye, a farmer living about eight miles south of Coleman, reported that about 5: P.M., Sunday, April 30, he heard machine gun shooting in his neighborhood and on investigating found a new Ford Car that had been pushed off a cliff into a thicket, and the body full of holes. The chief in company with Deputy Sheriff O'Bar examined the ground and found where the car had been parked at the time of the shooting - a distance of about one quarter of a mile from where it had been pushed off the cliff; that about 30 feet from where the car was parked during the shooting they picked up 30 empty United States Cartridge Company Shells #18.

The Ford was taken to Coleman where it is now in the possession of the Chief of Police, who advised that insurance adjuster had examined the car and stated to him it was insured for \$335.00. The chief stated he examined the car thoroughly and all that was found was a potato chip sack and the name of Abilene, Texas on same, and a Mississippi Cigarette Stamp.

Agent examined the car which shows same to be a V-8 1933 model Ford Coach, motor #222833, Louisiana 1933 License #233331. A plate fastened to the foot board bears the name of the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation, Shreveport, La., #633. The body of the car is riddled with bullet holes and all the glass broken out. The officers stated that at the time they reached the car the whole neighborhood had handled it which made it useless to try to detect fingerprints of the guilty parties. They made inquiries of the farmers in the community and had learned of only one person who had witnessed the shooting - the 11 year old son of Gordon Woods, a farmer.

Gordon Woods, Jr., 11 years of age, stated to Agent that on Sunday, April 30, he was in the pasture looking for a milk cow when he was attracted by shooting coming from the direction where two cars were parked on a hillside, a distance of 300 yards from where he was standing; that the shots sounded like the exhaust of a motorcycle and he hid behind a tree until after it was all over when he ran away; that he only observed one person who walked around the car that had been shot up, and noticed that he wore a gray suit and a gray felt hat and he hurriedly left without making further observation.

Eugene Crye, the farmer who reported the matter to the Chief of Police at Coleman, Texas, stated that on Sunday, April 30, he was visiting his father-in-law, J. F. Nicholson, who owns a farm in the vicinity where the shooting occurred, and that he heard the shots coming from the thicket; that he saw the car that had been shot up and about a one

found the car among the brush on his father-in-law's farm but did not report the matter to the police until the following day. Mr. Crye stated he did not see the cars or the parties responsible for the shooting since his view was obstructed by trees.

Inquiry was made among the farmers in the vicinity, however, no information was secured and no other party found who witnessed the shooting.

On Sunday, April 30, 1933, there was a stolen from Mr. Frank White of San Angelo, Texas, a New Ford Sedan, during the noon hour. Mr. White stated that his car was equipped with two spare tires attached to the fender wells, trunk wreck on rear painted black, and equipped with radio. An affidavit was secured from Mr. White in connection with the ownership and theft of this car and set out in this report as follows:

San Angelo, Texas,  
May 3, 1933.

State of Texas:  
County of Tom Green S.S.

Frank White, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on and deposes and states that during the month of December I purchased from Wood Motor Company of San Angelo, Texas, Ford Sedan V-8 Model, motor #V18179042, and insured this car for \$955.00. 1933 License Number A14-999 was issued to me by the tax collector of Tom Green County for this car.

On Sunday, April 30, 1933, I parked my car in front of my home, 1012 South Park Street, San Angelo, Texas, during the noon hour and returning for it in 10 or 15 minutes, found it missing and can give no information as to the party responsible for the theft of the car. This car was practically new and had been driven approximately 5,000 miles.

(signed) FRANK WHITE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of May, 1933.

Wilm Kilpatrick,  
Notary Public, Tom  
Green County, Texas.

No information of the White Car has been received since its theft.

The National Auto Theft Bureau of Dallas, Texas, advised they have a theft card showing the theft of a Ford Coach, V-8 model, motor #222633, owner Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation, stolen at Shreveport, La., on March 20, 1933.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE to secure from the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation, Shreveport, La., details of the ownership and theft of V-8 Ford Coach, motor #222633, date of theft and the license number issued for said car. Interview Sheriff A. J. Thigpen, Ruston, La., who investigated the theft of this car; also E. D. Darby and Miss Sophie Stone of Ruston, La., for details of kidnapping and their identifying the photographs of the Barrow Brothers; also whether they observed the license number on the car being driven by said parties.

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# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice  
224 Federal Bldg.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

May 17, 1933

HEE:GKB  
26-3779

Special Agent in Charge  
United States Bureau of Investigation  
Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow with alias, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Reference is made to your letter dated May 10, 1933, with which was forwarded a photograph of Clyde Barrow and another individual with request that investigation be made at Tulsa, Oklahoma in order to determine whether the individual with Barrow in this photograph is Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

In accordance with your request Special Agent H. E. Hollie of this office has made investigation at Tulsa, Oklahoma, exhibiting the photograph of the individual with Barrow to W. H. Morgan and Harry Kiskaddon of the Identification Bureau, Tulsa Police Department, and they stated positively that the photograph was not that of Floyd. The photograph was also exhibited to Chief of Detectives B. D. Moran and other officers of the Tulsa Police Department and they all stated that the photograph was not the photograph of Floyd.

The photograph of Barrow and the other individual is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

Inc.  
cc: Bureau

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*R. H. Colvin*  
R. H. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.

680 Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

May 24, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,  
1216 Smith-Young Tower,  
San Antonio, Texas.

RE: Ford coach, motor #2222335

Dear Sir:-

A complaint has been filed at Dallas, Texas charging CLYDE CHAMFION BARROW, and MC. ROY BANCING, alias BONNIE PARKER with violation of the N.M.V.T.A. in connection with the transportation of Ford coupe, motor # A-1278100, on or about 9/10/32 from Dallas, Texas to Pawhuska, Okla., knowing same to have been theretofore stolen at Effingham, Illinois.

On 5/1/33 Ford V-8 coach stolen at Huston, La. 2/20/33 was found abandoned near Coleman, Texas, which car had been riddled with bullets, and near the car were found 60 U.S. Cartridge Co. rifle shells of .30 Government calibre (1915 issue).

On 4/30/33 Ford V-8 sedan, motor #13179042 was stolen from Frank White, San Angelo, Texas.

On or about 5/2/33 an attempt to rob the State Bank at Lucerne, Indiana was made by two young men and two young women. Information has been received that the Ford sedan stolen at San Angelo was recovered by the Sheriff at Rushville, Indiana prior to 5/13/33.

Newspapers 5/23/33 carried an account of a bank robbery by three men and a woman at San Marcos, Texas. It is possible that this holdup was perpetrated by the Barrow brothers, Clyde and Marvin (Buck) Barrow, an unknown person who resembles "Pretty Boy Floyd," and Bonnie Parker, and probably Buck Barrow's wife Blanche Caldwell. Enclosed herewith are photographs of:

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

Clyde Barrow and unidentified person (group).

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker (group)

Buck Barrow and photo of his fingerprints.

Buck Barrow and wife (Blanche Caldwell) - group.

It may be that some of the persons in the San Marcos bank can identify some of the photographs as the robbers.

Very truly yours,

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F.J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Detroit, Michigan**FILE NO. **26-3779**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-23-32</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12-18-32</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. E. Hollis</b>
TITLE: <b>RAYMOND ROBERTS</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

**SYNOPSIS or FACTS:** Ford V8, motor #1486, stolen Pawhuska, Oklahoma 9-18-32, from owner Charles Trough, Pawhuska. Ford Coupe, motor #A-1878100, property Dr. E. L. Dameron, Effingham, Illinois, recovered at Pawhuska, Oklahoma on 9-19-32. Pawhuska Police of opinion person who abandoned Ford Coupe is responsible for the theft of Ford Sedan. Raymond Roberts unknown to Pawhuska Police. Information secured which may result in identification of party abandoning Ford Coupe, motor #A-1878100.

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**REFERENCE:-** Letter from the Detroit Bureau Office, dated 12-15-32.

**DETAILS:**

At the Police Department, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, agent interviewed Sergeant J. H. DeRoche who referred to the records of stolen cars reported to the police and advised agent that Ford Sedan V8, motor #1486, was reported stolen to the Pawhuska Police by the owner, Charles Trough, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, on September 18, 1932, said car having been stolen the same date.

**DETAILS:** Further examination of the police records disclosed that on the morning of September 19, 1932, Officers Moore and Gaffney of the Pawhuska Police Department recovered a Ford Deluxe Coupe east of the high school in Pawhuska, this car having been abandoned. The Ford Deluxe Coupe bore 1932 Texas license plates #218883 and the motor number is A-1878100. The Pawhuska Police ascertained that this Ford Deluxe Coupe was the property of Dr. E. L. Dameron, Effingham, Illinois. The police report regarding the recovery of the Ford Deluxe Coupe reflects that there were some clothes found in the car indicating that the car had been in possession of a man and a woman. There were no papers found in the clothing to indicate the owner thereof.

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There was also found in the Ford Deluxe Coupe a prescription bottle showing that the prescription which had been contained in the bottle was filled in a drug store in Macogdoches, Texas, the prescription being #37184 and issued to Mrs. Jim Muckelroy by Dr. Smith. The Pawhuska Police on September 20, 1932, addressed a letter to the Chief of Police at Macogdoches, Texas, requesting that an investigation be made to determine the identity of Mrs. Muckelroy as it was believed that the party abandoning the stolen Ford Coupe was also responsible for the theft of the Ford Sedan stolen from Charles Trough at Pawhuska. The Pawhuska Police have received no reply from the Police at Macogdoches, Texas and the matter was not followed further.

Sergeant DeRoche stated that there was no further information relative to this matter in possession of the police and that Raymond Roberts is unknown.

Charles Trough, who resides eight miles southwest of Pawhuska, Okla., was interviewed at the filling station operated by his brother, Loyd Trough, Pawhuska, Oklahoma. Mr. Charles Trough stated that he is the owner of Ford Sedan, V8 model, motor #4186, and that he was such owner on September 13, 1932, on which date this car was stolen from where it was parked in the driveway adjoining his home. The theft occurred between 4:00 and 5:00 P.M. and he states that he gave no one permission to use the car and he has no information as to the identity of the person responsible for the theft. Mr. Trough recalls that on the morning following the date of the theft of his car there was a Ford Coupe, belonging to a doctor in Effingham, Illinois, recovered by the Pawhuska Police and that the police were of the opinion that the party abandoning the Ford Coupe had stolen his Ford Sedan. Mr. Trough also recalls that when the doctor, whose name Mr. Trough does not recall, came to Pawhuska to recover the Ford Coupe that he indicated that he knew who had been in possession of his car. Mr. Trough states that he is not positive in this statement relative to the supposed knowledge of the Doctor but he believes that an interview with this doctor would produce some information.

Mr. Charles Trough further stated that after the Ford Coupe was recovered one of the Labodie boys who resides in Pawhuska informed Whitey Trough that he, Labodie, had seen a young man on the highway in possession of the Ford Coupe which was stolen in Effingham, Illinois and that this young man was apparently having trouble with the car. Mr. Trough could not state whether Labodie was in a position to furnish a description of this boy. He further stated that there are several of the Labodie boys and he did not know which one had furnished the above information to his brother, Whitey Trough.

Accompanied by Mr. Loyd Trough, agent interviewed Whitey Trough, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, and he stated that he recalls that some one of the Labodie boys, in September of 1932, did tell him about seeing a man in possession of a Ford Coupe and that this car was later recovered abandoned in Pawhuska. Mr. Whitey Trough endeavored to determine which one of the Labodie boys had furnished this information to him but was unable, so stated it was his impression that it was Will Labodie, who Mr. Trough determined was out of town and would not return until late that night. Loyd Trough advised agent that he would see Will Labodie on the following day and if Labodie was in a position to furnish any information of value, such information would be forwarded to the Oklahoma City Bureau office. A self-addressed envelope was left with Mr. Loyd Trough so that he could furnish any information secured.

Inasmuch as a prescription bottle was found in the Ford Coupe belonging to Dr. Dameron at the time this car was found in Pawhuska it is possible this bottle belonged to Dr. Dameron and was in the car at the time it was stolen; therefore, before requesting investigation at Macogdoches, Texas, a lead is being set out to interview Dr. Dameron. It is also noted that Dr. Dameron is alleged to have stated that he knew the party responsible for the theft of his car. Copies of this report are being forwarded to the Dallas, Texas Office for information only at this time. Copy of the reference letter is being forwarded to the St. Louis, Missouri Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

ST. LOUIS OFFICE is requested to interview Dr. E. L. Dameron, Effingham, Illinois relative to the theft of his Ford Coupe, motor #1878100, ascertaining whether Dr. Dameron has information as to the identity of the person stealing his car. It is also requested that it be ascertained from Dr. Dameron whether the prescription bottle found in his car at the time of its recovery in Pawhuska, Oklahoma belonged to him and, if not, that the St. Louis Office request investigation at Macogdoches, Texas.

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FILE NO. **26-4509**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Detroit, Michigan</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/17/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/13/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>R. B. DONALDSON</b>
TITLE:  <b>RAYMOND ROBERTS</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE:  <b>NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Further inquiry at Jackson, Michigan reveals name of two suspects, Leon Monroe and Carl Clark, whose relatives reside near point where stolen car was recovered. Additional inquiry to be made at Detroit and also at Jackson when Agent next at that point.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma dated 12/23/32.

**DETAILS:**

At the Sheriff's Office in Jackson, Michigan contact was made with Deputy Sheriff John Schaffer on two occasions during January 13, 1933. Deputy Schaffer it seems, has done nothing toward working out a solution of this case so far as the Jackson angle is concerned since Agent Noonan talked to him on October 6 last. On the two occasions that Agent attempted to interview this Deputy, he seemed to be extremely busy with other matters and therefore no assistance was received from him.

Agent ascertained the exact point where the automobile which was stolen at Pawhuska, Oklahoma and abandoned near Jackson, Michigan was recovered and found that same was five miles south-west from Jackson, which point is reached the following way: by proceeding from Jackson on highway 180 to the Reen School and then turning right one-half mile. On arrival at this point it was found that three houses are on the east side of the road, the first being the farm home of J. E. Ryan, the second being the premises occupied by Jess Huxek and the third by Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Goodwin. It was at a point close to the Huxek place that the car was found and the Subject of this case was reported to be some

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relative of these people.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ryan on being interviewed stated that they were the first to discover the stolen car and reported it to the Sheriff's Office; that no one was seen in the car or near it and they had no idea as to who might have left it where it was found. Mr. Ryan stated that Jess Huyck lives on property owned by him, Ryan; that these people are undesirable tenants and he has for six months been trying to eject them. It seems that they are not responsible and probably are people of questionable characters. There are several children which belong to Mrs. Huyck by a former marriage. They are: Leon, Clarence and Delbert Monroe and Mrs. Edith Clark, the wife of Carl Clark. Ryan states that he never heard of anyone named Raymond Roberts being in this vicinity or being related to the Huyck family.

Mrs. Nathan Goodwin states that she is acquainted with Mrs. Huyck having worked in a factory with her some years ago in Jackson, at which time her name was Monroe. Further, that the married daughter, Edith Clark, is presently residing some place in Jackson, Michigan in the '200' block on Watt Street where she is said to be employed as a domestic; that she is not living with her husband, Carl Clark, who is reported to be a fugitive from justice; that his apprehension is being sought by the Detroit Police Department for some unknown offense. Mrs. Goodwin understands that Carl Clark deserted his wife Edith and has only made one trip to this vicinity, which was some six months ago and the time was at midnight. Informant further advises that Leon Monroe, who is about nineteen years of age, took a trip away from this section of the country presumably to locate work. His mother made conflicting statements as to just where he did go, but among other places, mentioned that he was working in the tobacco fields in Tennessee. It also seems that he put in an appearance back home at about the same time this automobile was located and as to where he was for several months and how he returned is still a matter of mystery, especially so due to the fact that these people are financially destitute. It is also a fact, according to Mrs. Goodwin, that at the time the officers were out in this vicinity recovering the car, that Mrs. Huyck suffered some physical reverse in the form of a nervous spell and stayed in bed for several days and in fact did not appear outside the house during the excitement. Mrs. Goodwin looks upon this as being a very suspicious circumstance. Leon Monroe, it seems, resides in the City of Jackson at some unknown address and it is not known as to whether he is employed or not. On one occasion shortly after his return from this supposed southern trip, he showed Mr. Goodwin a rather aggravated wound on his leg which he explained had been inflicted by a tobacco hook. There may be some question as to how this occurred and inasmuch as a prescription is mentioned in connection with the persons who used the car which was stolen at Effingham, Ill. and recovered at Pawnee, Oklahoma, it may be that some significance should be attached to this flesh wound. In view of the general unreliable reputation of the Huyck family, Agent deemed it not proper to interview them on this occasion but felt that some more definite information should be secured as to the exact whereabouts of Leon Monroe and the circumstances pertaining to Carl Clark.

This matter was brought to the attention of Deputy Sheriff Schaffer at the time of the second interview with him, who stated that he would be glad to cooperate in any manner and after inquiry has been conducted at Detroit as to the identity of Clark, if same is known, it is believed that with the assistance of Deputy Schaffer, Leon Monroe should be brought in for questioning and likewise Carl Clark, if he can be found. At the time of the second interview with Deputy Schaffer, he also stated that he was very likely mistaken as to the name of the subject being Raymond Roberts and that it may be somebody else; therefore, in view of all the circumstances, Agent does not attach any particular importance to the name of Raymond Roberts being in the title of this report.

At the Michigan State Prison and at Agent's request, Mr. Crowley, the Record Clerk, examined the prison records for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of any Raymond Roberts who may have been confined in that institution as a prisoner but could only find one such person and this person is and has for more than a year past, been constantly confined in prison and it would not have been possible for him to have committed this act.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: The DETROIT OFFICE at DETROIT is to make inquiry as to the identity of Carl Clark who may be wanted by the Detroit Police and when an Agent is next at Jackson will arrange for the locating and questioning of Leon Monroe.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICHIGAN.**

**St. Louis** FILE NO. **26-3740**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Louis, Mo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1-27-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1-24-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>F. W. ALLEN</b>	<b>FWA:M</b>
TITLE: <b>RAYMOND ROBERTS</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Ford coupe involved property of Dr. E. L. Damron of Effingham, Ill., valued at \$800.00, stolen that city 9-2-32. Unknown person seen near car at time of theft believed by doctor to be the one responsible for theft of same.

HUC.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, Okla., 12-23-32.

**DETAILS:** At Effingham, Ill.

Dr. E. L. Damron, 325 S. 4th St., stated that he is the owner of the Ford coupe involved in this case; that the same is a Deluxe coupe with a special body, motor No. 1-A-1,876,100, bearing 1932 Illinois State License No. 463-918; that he purchased this car new on or about August 15, 1932 for \$800.00; that at about 10:00 A. M. on September 2, 1932 he parked this car alongside of the drugstore which he operates at Effingham and which is located on Banker St. in that city; that he went into the store and was gone about five minutes, then returned, and found the car missing and immediately notified all the peace officials in the vicinity and that he, himself, made a trip to Terre Haute, Ind. but failed to find any trace of his car.

**DETAILS:**

Dr. Damron stated that after he locked the ignition on his car and while getting out he noticed an unknown fellow sitting on the curb near the store and that he had the intuition that something was going to happen, but had no idea that this fellow had his eye on the car. Dr. Damron stated this young man was about 25 years of age, 5' 10" in height, weighed about 150 pounds, slender, and that his face was tanned from the sun, and that he could identify

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this person from a photograph if the same could be furnished.

Dr. Demron also stated that his Ford car was not insured and that after he was notified that his car was located at Pawhuska, Okla. he went to that city to claim same but after arriving there found that one of the connecting rods was burned out and returned to Effingham, and later sent his son, Sidney, to Pawhuska and that he drove the car back to Effingham and he now has the car in his possession.

Dr. Demron stated that the bottle found in the car did not belong to him and that a new case containing several surgical instruments which he had left in the car when it was stolen was not in the car when the same was recovered.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

DALLAS BUREAU OFFICE at Macogdoches, Texas, will contact the proper authorities in that city to determine if Mrs. Jim Muckelroy or a Dr. Smith is located there.

An investigation should be conducted among the drug stores to ascertain to whom prescription No. 37,184 was issued.

In the event Mrs. Jim Muckelroy is located she should be interviewed relative to the Ford Sedan and Ford coupe involved in this case inasmuch as a prescription bottle bearing No. 37,184 and the name Mrs. Jim Muckelroy was found in the Ford coupe at the time it was recovered in Pawhuska, Okla.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

FILE NO. 26-4809

REPORT MADE AT: <u>Detroit, Michigan.</u>	DATE WHEN MADE: <u>2-8-33</u>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <u>2-2,3-33</u>	REPORT MADE BY: <u>R. B. DONALDSON</u> <u>-ICM</u>
TITLE: <u>RAYMOND ROBERTS</u>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</u>

**SYNOPSIS of FACTS:** Inquiries at Jackson, Michigan, and vicinity, tend to eliminate Claud Clark and Leon Monroe, suspects in this matter. Monroe admits taking trip to Tennessee and returning about time the car was found but disclaimed knowledge of same.

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**REFERENCE:-** Report of Special Agent R. B. Donaldson, Detroit, 1-17-33

**DETAILS:-** Since the writing of the report of reference and while passing through Dearborn, Michigan, on other matters, agent conferred with Fred Drexell, Chief of the Identification Section of the Dearborn Police Department and from him secured a photograph of one Claud Clark, Dearborn Police #13644, and also A353, who was thought to be a suspect in this matter. This person, it seems, in 1930 was twice arrested at Dearborn for non-support of his wife and returned to Jackson, Mich. He was 22 years of age at that time and resided at 3235 Huron Ave., Dearborn.

**DETAILS:** AT JACKSON, MICHIGAN.

Agent called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hayck which is near Spring Harbor, Michigan, and one mile from the Barn School House. Mrs. Ida Hayck was interviewed and she was lead to believe that agent was primarily interested in Claud Clark, a photograph of whom she readily identified as being her son-in-law. With respect to him she stated that Clark has not been seen in this vicinity for nearly a year; that when last here he came and took his wife to Dearborn, Michigan, and on arrival in that city immediately abandoned her. It is the contention of Mrs.

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Huyck that he would not reappear in that vicinity nor would he let her or his wife know his whereabouts as a warrant for non-support is presently outstanding for him. When asked as to whether she had any knowledge as to who abandoned the stolen automobile near their place last summer, Mrs. Huyck stated that she had not the slightest idea and that she would be almost positive that Claud Clark had nothing to do with it as she was inclined to believe that he was somewhere either in California or Mexico. She was then questioned concerning her son, Leon Monroe and stated that this boy is 18 years of age and is employed as a farmhand by John W. May on R #1, Clarks Lake, Michigan; further, that the farm on which this boy is located is in the immediate vicinity of Crisbell Lake. This woman stated that Leon had not lived at home for more than a year but that he occasionally visited there and that she knew for a certainty that Leon had nothing to do with this automobile. She admitted that Leon took a trip to Tennessee with another boy; that they left her home on the day of the eclipse in 1932, which was August 31, 1932, and were gone for one month exactly; that she had several letters from her son while he was away; that in these letters he told of travelling by securing rides on freight and passenger trains and passing automobiles; that when he was in Tennessee he stayed at the home of Mrs. Vester Sanders, Woodlawn, Tennessee, and for agent's inspection she produced a letter addressed to her from her son, which agent noted was postmarked September 13, 1932, Woodlawn, Tennessee. This woman states that she has another son, age 17, and that he is employed as a farmhand by one Ed Hilliger who resides near Spring Harbor and further that this boy has never been out of the State of Michigan and was continuously employed at this farm during last summer and fall.

In company with Deputy Sheriff John Shaffer, on February 3, 1933, agent proceeded to the John May farm near Crisbell Lake, some eleven miles from Jackson, Michigan, where Leon Monroe was located and interviewed.

Leon Monroe states that in company with one Harrison Sanders, he left his mother's home near Spring Harbor, Michigan, on the last day of August, 1932, and that he and his companion made their way to Woodlawn, Tennessee, by riding freight trains and catching rides on the highway; further that they had less than \$2.00 with them when they left and that they went from Jackson to Chicago, Ill., thence to St. Louis, Mo., to Evansville, to Guthrie, Ky., then to Clarksville, Tenn., and then to Woodlawn, Tennessee. They remained continuously at the home of Mrs. Vester Sanders, Woodlawn, for practically one month with the exception of a few days when they took a trip to Guthrie, Ky.; further that they had no automobile of their own and that they neither stole nor borrowed any automobiles. The trip was made for the purpose of locating work which did not materialize and Monroe states that they started to return together to Michigan but that Sanders changed his mind after he started and he does not know whether he went home or to some other place. It seems that Sanders was employed on a farm in the general vicinity of Jackson, Michigan, prior to making this trip. Monroe states that he rode

back on freight trains mostly to Toledo, Ohio, and from that point to Jackson secured a ride on a truck hauling cement to Grand Rapids, Michigan. He further alleges that he knows nothing of the car abandoned near his mother's home except that several weeks after it was recovered by officers he heard his mother mention that a car had been left near their place in the woods. This boy all during the interview impressed both this agent and Deputy Sheriff Chaffer that he was telling the truth. He states that he definitely recalls that he arrived in Jackson on September 30, 1932 and that he spent the first night at the home of one Henry Sales, 503 North State Street in Jackson. He describes Sanders as being

Age	20 years
Height	6 ft.
Weight	145 lbs.
Eyes	brown
Hair	brown, combed back

From personal observation Monroe is

Age	18 years
Weight	about 165 lbs.
Height	6 ft.
Hair	dark brown
Eyes	gray-blue
Marital Status	single,

Claims never to have been in trouble of any kind.

Agent located and interviewed the estranged wife of Claud Clark where she is residing at 130 West Street, Jackson, Michigan. She states that she has not seen her husband since March 15, 1932, at Dearborn, Michigan, when he left her and his small son without stating where he was going or why. Since that time she has been on the welfare list in Dearborn and Jackson, has received no word or help of any kind from her husband. She is very positive that her husband would not come to Jackson, Michigan, and on the contrary thinks he went to California or Mexico, as his mother resides at Southern California, and he has been in Mexico on previous occasions. It seems that they had considerable difficulty while married and her husband's actions indicated that he had no intentions of supporting her or the child and she since this separation has learned that he had several affairs with other women in Dearborn, Michigan, and also believes that he was in some serious difficulty with a 16 year old girl at Dearborn which caused him to leave for points unannounced. In view of all these facts she states that it is most unlikely that her husband would bring a car and leave it near her mother's place. When questioned concerning Leon Monroe, she stated that this boy is her half-brother and for several years she has not been in very close touch with him and that she would not suspect him of being in any difficulty, especially stealing an automobile as she has never known of him being in any trouble in the past.

According to Deputy Sheriff Shaffer the automobile referred to in this case had a value of \$400.00. It was a Ford V-8 Sedan.

For the benefit of the Birmingham office, which is being requested to perform some investigative work in this matter, and which office had not received copies of previous reports, it is stated that a Ford V-8 Sedan was recovered by the Sheriff's Office of Jackson, Michigan, and also near the home of Mrs. Jesse Huyak who is step-mother of Leon Monroe, above mentioned, and as these people have a poor reputation as responsible citizens, some suspicion attached to members of this family as being responsible possibly for the bringing of this automobile to Michigan, it having been stolen September 18, 1932, at Pashuska, Okla. Investigation to date in this matter has been somewhat on the theory that Leon Monroe who took a trip south and returned to Michigan about the same time this car returned, might have some knowledge of the matter. The following lead is, therefore, set forth:

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:-

BIRMINGHAM OFFICE: When an agent is next in the vicinity of Woodlawn, Tennessee, it is requested that Mrs. Vester Sanders be interviewed concerning Harrison Sanders, believed to be her son, and Leon Monroe who came to her place in early September, 1932, and stayed one month. Attempt should be made to learn whether they were in an automobile, whether they took any trips away from her place during the month and as to whether or not she knew how they travelled from Michigan to Tennessee and return. If Sanders can be located he should be carefully questioned. It also appears that the person who brought the Ford from Pashuska, Okla., to Michigan, is identical with the person who stole a Ford at Effingham, Ill., and abandoned it at Pashuska, Okla.

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FILE NO. 26-4080 MLP

REPORT MADE AT: Birmingham, Ala.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-24-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2-13-33	REPORT MADE BY: J.L. McCATREY
TITLE: RAYMOND ROBERTS			CHARACTER OF CASE: RAVL. MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Vester Sanders, Woodlawn, Tenn., informs her son, Harrison Sanders, and one Leon Monroe, came to her home in the latter part of August, 1932, and informed her they had hitch-hiked from Spring Harbor, Michigan; that they had no automobile in their possession and Leon Monroe remained at her home for one month and then, so she was informed, hitch-hiked back to Michigan. Harrison Sanders, interviewed, informed accompanied Leon Monroe from Spring Harbor, Michigan, to home of his mother, Mrs. Vester Sanders, and journey was made by hitch-hiking.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent R.B. Donaldson, Detroit, Mich. 2-3-33.

DETAILS: AT WOODLAWN, TENN.

Mrs. Vester Sanders, who lives on the Palyra Road, nine miles out of Woodlawn, Tenn., was interviewed and informed Agent that in the latter part of the month of August, 1932, her son, Harrison Sanders, and one Leon Monroe came to their farm near Woodlawn, Tenn., informing that they had come from Spring Harbor, Michigan; that when her son and Monroe arrived at her home they informed her that they had hitch-hiked and rode freight trains from Spring Harbor, Mich., via Chicago, Illinois and St. Louis, Missouri to their farm near Woodlawn.

DETAILS:

Mrs. Sanders further informed Agent that her son and Leon Monroe had no automobile in their possession when they came to her home and that Leon remained on the farm about one month when he left in company with Harrison Sanders and that Harrison hitch-hiked with him to Bowling Green, Kentucky, and that she subsequently received a letter from Leon Monroe from Spring Harbor, Michigan, that he had been taken off from a freight train at Toledo, Ohio and

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held by the police for investigation but was released and returned to his home at Jackson, Michigan.

Mrs. Sanders further informed Agent that neither Harrison Sanders nor Leon Monroe took any trips away from her home during the month they were on her farm.

Harrison Sanders, who is now living on his mother's farm near Woodlawn, Tenn., was interviewed and informed Agent that he left Spring Harbor, Michigan, in company with one Leon Monroe, in the latter part of the month of August, 1932, and that he and Leon Monroe went to Jackson, Michigan and then caught rides to Chicago, Ill., where they endeavored to obtain work and, being unsuccessful in finding work in Chicago, Illinois, they then hitch-hiked to St. Louis, Missouri, and from there to Evansville, Indiana, Guthrie, Kentucky, and on to Clarksville, Tenn., from whence they went to the farm of his mother, Mrs. Vesta Sanders, where they remained for one month.

Harrison Sanders further advised that in the latter part of the month of September, Leon Monroe made up his mind to return to his home near Spring Harbor, Michigan, and asked him to return with him, but since he did not believe that he could secure any work in Michigan, he thought it was best for him to remain at the home of his mother but he did go with Leon Monroe to Clarksville, Tenn., and then they caught a freight to Bowling Green, Kentucky, where he left Leon Monroe who informed him that he was returning to Spring Harbor, Michigan. He further advised that his mother, Mrs. Vester Sanders later received a letter from Leon in which he advised that he had made it home all right but that he had been taken off from a freight train near Toledo, Ohio, and held in jail for a while but was released in order to enable him to return to his home.

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was about an hour later when she found that her husband had parked the car there before her arrival. She immediately informed Deputy Sheriff Fox; that this car was insured with the Capitol Fire Insurance Company, of Lincoln, Nebraska, whose representative later informed her that this car had been recovered by the Sheriff at Fort Scott, Kansas, it having been found in a dry creek bed near Fulton, Kansas, about July 28, 1933; that this car had been returned to Lincoln, Nebraska, by the Insurance Company, where she identified the same as her own, and full settlement has been made, she transferring title thereto to the Capitol Fire Insurance Company.

Later L. J. Coyle, in charge of Claim Department of the Capitol Fire Insurance Company, 512 Sharp Building, Lincoln, Nebraska, informed that 1932 Ford V-8 Coach, Motor Number 43697 had been returned from Fort Scott, Kansas, to Lincoln, Nebraska, by John F. Zimmer, Jr., one of their directors.

John F. Zimmer, Jr., Director of the Capitol Fire Insurance Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, informed that he received 1932 Ford V-8 Coach, Motor No. 43697 from Harry E. Hyle, County Sheriff, Fort Scott, Kansas, on September 2, 1933; that he understood the aforesaid car had been recovered about August 1, 1933, and stored at the Central Garage at Fort Scott, at which garage it was turned over to him by Sheriff Hyle; that he checked the motor number thereon and found it to be No. 43697, found a bullet hole in the left door through the middle of the door into right cushion; that both the front and rear seats showed Mercurochrome stains; that the front and rear fenders on the right side were bent, and license plates were missing; that Sheriff Hyle found the keys thereto in the car, and also a small piece of bandage; also he discovered that the tires were all worn out and the brakes would not work; that Mrs. Ruby Edmunds had identified aforesaid car as her own after its return to Lincoln, and under date of September 8, 1933, title to this car was transferred to Harriet Curran, 800 So. 18th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, who is an employee of the Capitol Fire Insurance Company.

Emmett Curran, husband of the owner of instant car, drove instant Ford V-8 Coach, 1932, to the O'Shea-Hegere Motor Company, 14th and M Streets, Lincoln, Nebraska, where it was examined by this Agent. The motor number was checked and found to be 43697, being a dark green body with grey-green stripe with a small white trimming on stripe; it carried three Goodyears and one Firestone tire; the right side fenders, front and rear, were bent and a bullet hole discovered in the left door as heretofore described. Value of 1932 Ford V-8 Coach was given as \$300.00 by John F. Zimmer, Jr.

E. C. Condit, Chief of Police, Lincoln, Nebraska, informed he, with other officers, examined Chevrolet Coach which was found to carry motor number 1421431, which had been reported stolen from George Albright of

Polk City, Iowa, on July 24, 1933, which was recovered at Broken Bow, Nebraska, by local town officers on the evening of July 27, 1933; that he found a daily Des Moines, Iowa, paper and a German paper published at Butte, Nebraska. He believed each under date of July 24, 1933; that he found an address on the German paper which indicated that Subjects, upon fleeing from officers in Iowa, had travelled northwest, going over into South Dakota and crossing down into Nebraska either through Yankton or some other South Dakota town; that they also found blood stain about 8 inches square on the cushion of the back seat and some small blood stains on the upholstery around the back seat; also some small rags which were blood stained; also a billfold containing two newspaper pictures of Clyde Barrow, which he turned over to Deputy Sheriff George Fox at Broken Bow, who later turned it over to this Agent, and which is being placed in the Kansas City file.

Chief Conditt also stated that this Chevrolet Coach when it was recovered carried no license plates; that he checked the motor number thereon, which he did not take down at the time, but that he telephonically communicated with the office of Park Findley, in charge of the State Bureau of Investigation, Des Moines, Iowa, and ascertained that the motor numbers on aforesaid Chevrolet Coach corresponded with the Albright car which had been stolen at Polk City, Iowa, on July 24, 1933.

At the State Sheriff's office Miss Compton, Secretary to M. L. Endres, State Sheriff, Lincoln, Nebraska, stated that their records disclosed that State Deputy Sheriff G. E. Dudeschus of their office returned aforesaid Chevrolet Coach, Motor Number 1431431, from Broken Bow, Nebraska, at 10:15 P.M. on July 28, 1933, he having left Broken Bow that same day with aforesaid car at 3:30 P.M. Also that aforesaid Coach on either August 2 or August 3, 1933, the exact date not being in their records, was turned over to G. W. Albright of Polk City, Iowa, upon authorization of the County Sheriff of Des Moines, Iowa, under date of August 1st, after Mr. Albright had identified aforesaid Chevrolet Coach carrying Motor Number 1431431 as the one stolen from him at Polk City, Iowa, on July 24, 1933.

W. E. Schroeder, in charge of State Identification Bureau, Lincoln, Nebraska, stated that on July 29, 1933, with the assistance of Chief of Police W. C. Conditt, and Everett Rudisill of the Identification Bureau of the Lincoln Police Department, he powdered out all fingerprints that looked reasonably good which were on aforesaid Chevrolet Coach, Motor number 1431431; that they photographed these prints; that the best prints in the group were not those of Subject Clyde Barrow; that there was one stringy piece of a pattern that had a good chance of being one of Barrow's prints which he worked at for many hours, but the items thereof to work with were so meager that they could not come to a definite conclusion one way or the other as to that piece of pattern being those of one fingerprint of Subject Clyde Barrow.

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Agent's notes are being placed in the Kansas City File.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE will interview Sheriff Harry E. Kyle at Fort Scott, Kansas, with reference to the particulars of the recovery of 1932 Ford V-8 Coach, Motor number 43697, which was stolen at Broken Bow, Nebraska, on July 26, 1933, and recovered by him about August 1, 1933.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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File No. K.C. 25-4397

REPORT MADE AT: KANSAS CITY, MO.	DATE WHEN MADE: 11-8-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 10-4-11-18-19-33	REPORT MADE BY: J. R. CALHOUN
TITLE:  CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases, et al I.O. #1211			CHARACTER OF CASE:  NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Henry Massengill, in jail at Dodge City, Kansas, stated that persons with him at time of his capture at Meade, Kansas, were Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and one Jack; that Barrow's father has filling station on outskirts of Dallas, Texas, and that Clyde Barrow visits father at irregular intervals. Informant at Omaha, Nebraska, asserts photograph shown as that of Clyde Barrow is not his picture, but police authorities assert informant mentally unbalanced.

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## REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent Dwight Brantley, Kansas City, 8-17-33.

## DETAILS:

On 10-4-33 this Agent interviewed Sheriff Will Garbuckan, Dodge City, Kansas, and furnished him with a photograph of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker to exhibit to various persons in and about Meade, Kansas, in order that persons, who saw the persons with Henry Massengill, might determine whether his friends, who escaped, were Barrow and this woman.

On 10-18-33 Sheriff Will Garbuckan telephoned the Kansas City office advising Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy that a prisoner,

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then in the County Jail at Dodge City, Kansas, was to be sentenced to a life term in the very near future and this prisoner indicated to the sheriff that he could furnish information which would be of assistance in locating Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and "Jack."

On 10-18-33 Agent interviewed this prisoner, Henry Messengill, at Dodge City, Kansas, and the following information was obtained:

Henry Messengill met Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Jack on the Canadian River, near Dover, Oklahoma, on the morning of 9-8-33 (Sunday). They were in a V-8 Sedan with Texas plates. He had known both the Barrows in Huntsville Prison and Clyde Barrow had him get in the car. All drove around that day and spent the night in the car. On Labor Day they drove to Enid, Oklahoma, arriving about 10:30 A.M. and leaving soon afterward. They stopped only for gasoline and oil. Clyde and Bonnie discussed freely the capture of Buck Barrow in Iowa, but nothing was said to indicate that Jack was present.

The four drove northwards and at Meade, Kansas, the car stuck in mud and Messengill was captured. After leaving Enid they abandoned the V-8 Ford sedan in a mud hole south of Alva and got a Ford Coach or Sedan, about a 1929 Model, at a farmhouse. They rode about fifteen miles in this car and got a Plymouth sedan. This car was wrecked near Alva and a Ford Roadster was secured. They rode into Kansas and got the Chevrolet which was stuck in the mud at Meade, Kansas. A man named A. E. Trummel was picked up at the time his Chevrolet was taken and he had to ride to Meade, Kansas, at which time he was left when the other three stole a Chevrolet Coupe and escaped. This coupe was found at Wichita Falls, Texas, about three or four days later. Messengill wanted to leave the party at Enid, but Clyde Barrow told him that he would have to stay with the bunch.

Clyde Barrow's father has a filling station on Eagle Ford Road, just west of the city limits of Dallas, Texas, and Clyde and the others stop in occasionally. This station is on the northeast corner of the intersection and is known as the Star Filling Station, selling East Texas gasoline. The north-south road runs north about three blocks to the levee of the Trinity River and south about the same distance and stops about one block from the T. & P. Railroad tracks.

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Between the time of Buck Barrow's capture in Iowa and the time Mac-sengill met Clyde Barrow, the latter, with Bonnie Parker, went into Arkansas and Louisiana and stayed with a tourist camp worker or owner in Louisiana. This man served time on Eastham Prison Farm with Barrow and Mac-sengill. He is about 25 years of age, but no other description is recalled. Barrow became afraid this man might turn them in and left.

Clyde Barrow never goes to his father's station until the lights are out, and he goes there at odd intervals of five to fifteen days.

Bonnie Parker was burned severely on both legs from the ankles to the hips en route from Iowa to Arkansas and Louisiana, due to a wreck and the car's catching afire. On Labor Day she was scarcely able to hobble about.

Mac-sengill said that Clyde Barrow wanted him to aid in robbing two banks in Kansas, but Barrow would not tell where the banks were located, although he said he had them "spotted."

Clyde Barrow has a bullet in the left of the back of the neck and wounds on the right chest, the right shoulder and the right thigh. He stated he received all these wounds at the time the two officers were killed. (Joplin, Missouri)

Mac-sengill stated he furnished this information for the reason that Clyde Barrow left him to be captured after getting him into his latest trouble, and he does not care to have his name mentioned inasmuch as such would be fatal to Mac-sengill.

Special Agent J. L. Flood, on 10-11-33, interviewed one James Hummel, owner of a parking lot at 214 North 14th Street, Omaha, Nebraska, and was advised by that man that the photograph shown in the Omaha World Herald, 7-28-33, as that of Clyde Barrow was in reality a photograph of Wayne Scoles and that Hummel had furnished this information to various police officers. Hummel further asserted he had seen Charles (Pretty Boy) Floyd walking in the business district of Omaha and had advised Police Inspector Anderson, who paid no attention to him.

Agent Flood interviewed Inspector Anderson, who advised that Hummel was mentally unbalanced and that he was forever telephoning the Police station and giving false "tips" about notorious criminals. Agent Flood was further advised by Deputy Sheriff E. V. Cooney, Glenwood, Iowa, that Scoles was known to this officer and that the photograph appearing in the paper was not that



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of Coles. City Marshal Jake Frazier, Malvern, Iowa, examined the photograph appearing in the Omaha World Herald and stated positively it was not that of Coles.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

DALLAS OFFICE will note the information set out hereinabove to the effect that Clyde Barrow occasionally visits his father at his filling station on Eagle Ford Road, just west of the city limits, Dallas, Texas, and will make such investigation as deemed appropriate looking to the location and apprehension of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, and the individual known as Jack.

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201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,  
Birmingham, Alabama,  
November 6, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with  
aliases - FUGITIVE.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

For the information of the Dallas Office, this is to advise that on November 4, 1933 Mr. Charles H. Guthrie, Parrish, Alabama, reported at the Birmingham Office that he is a distant relative of Barrow's mother, and that about October 15, 1933 Barrow visited at his, Guthrie's, home in Parrish on an occasion when Guthrie was away from home; that Barrow at the time was accompanied by a woman whom he claimed to be his wife, as well as two male companions, the entire party having arrived in Parrish via freight train. Guthrie further claimed that from Parrish this party went to Haleyville, Alabama, where Barrow has an aunt named ~~Mrs~~ Maggie Bird residing, and where Barrow may be at the present time.

Guthrie further claims that he knows Barrow although he has not seen him since about 1920, saying further that he knew nothing about Barrow's trouble until about November 4, 1933, when he had seen the Identification Order posted in the lobby of the Birmingham Post Office. Guthrie promised to make inquiries at Parrish upon his return to that place on November 4th, claiming that he would advise the Birmingham office if he secured any other information concerning Barrow's whereabouts, saying further that it was his intention to write to Barrow at Haleyville to determine if he is still there.

It is requested that the Birmingham Office be furnished with appropriate information in this case, also any information in possession of the Dallas office concerning the relatives of Barrow. The Birmingham Office is endeavoring to verify Guthrie's information and is conducting appropriate investigation at Parrish and vicinity, also at Haleyville.

Very truly yours,

*J. H. Hanson*  
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Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
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201 Liberty National Life Bldg.,  
Birmingham, Alabama.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with  
aliases, I. O. 1211, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft  
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Dear Sir:

Reference your letter date November 6, 1933 in the  
above captioned matter.

The following are the only known relatives of Clyde  
Champion Barrow:

Mother: Mrs. Eunice T. Barrow, Route 6, West Dallas, Texas,  
Father: Henry Barrow, Route 6, West Dallas, Texas,  
Brother: L. C. Barrow, Route 6, West Dallas, Texas,  
Sister: Mrs. Otis Wilber, Danison, Texas *ANSANTIE WINKLER*  
Uncle: Jim Mackelroy, Martinsville, Texas.

Clyde Barrow is accompanied by Bonnie Parker, alias  
Bonnie Barrow, alias Mrs. Clyde Barrow, and Mrs. Roy Harding, and  
for the past several months with a man named Jack Sherman, whose  
true identity thus far has not been established. This trio in-  
variably uses Ford V8 model cars for transportation purposes and  
are always heavily armed having at least two Browning automatic  
rifles and a number of 45 calibre automatic pistols with them.  
Clyde Barrow will shoot to kill at the least provocation. He is  
very dangerous and extreme caution should be exercised in conducting  
investigations with a view of locating him.

For your information and file, the following copies  
of reports are transmitted with this letter:

Special Agent Winstead, Dallas, dated March 6, 1933,  
Special Agent Winstead, Dallas, dated May 25, 1933,  
Special Agent Trainor, Kansas City dated May 27, 1933,  
Special Agent Dowd, Dallas, dated July 8, 1933,  
Special Agent Brantley, Kansas City, dated August 17, 1933.

Very truly yours,

EJD:GDC  
Encl.  
26-4114-116  
cc: Division

F. J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

423 Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

November 9, 1933

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Federal Bldg., Suite 1,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow,  
with aliases, et al,  
I. O. #1211,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. R.  
Calhoun, Kansas City, November 6, 1933.

I am transmitting herewith:

- 1) Photograph of William Daniel Jones,  
Beaumont Police number 3715,
- 2) Photograph of Clyde Barrow and  
Robert Bleigh.

It is requested that you submit these photographs  
to Henry Massengill, in jail at Dodge City, Kansas to deter-  
mine whether Robert Bleigh or William Daniel Jones is the man  
referred to as "JACK".

For your information Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker,  
Duck Barrow (deceased) and his wife Blanche with a man known as  
Jack Sherman have been travelling together. Since the death of  
Duck Barrow and the conviction of Blanche Barrow, it appears  
that until recently Jack Sherman has been with Clyde Barrow and  
Bonnie Parker, and according to reference report they have been  
travelling with Henry Massengill. The latter is well known at  
Dallas, Texas.

The only identification of Jack Sherman has been made  
by Blanche Barrow from a photograph of Robert Bleigh, which was  
received from the Joplin Police. There is, however, some doubt  
as to this identification, inasmuch as Bleigh's record shows  
him to be 5 feet 10 1/2 inches tall, whereas the man known as Jack  
Sherman is said to be about 5 feet 7 inches tall.

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Recently information was received from Doug Walsh, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification of the Dallas Police Department, emanating from a confidential source, that William Daniel Jones, whose photograph is enclosed, is Jack Sherman. In 1931, Jones at the age of 18, with a L. C. Barrow, a brother of Clyde Barrow, was convicted at Dallas, Texas for a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

The enclosed photographs should be returned to the Dallas Division Office after they have been exhibited to Henry Macseengill for identification purposes.

Very truly yours,

F. J. Blake  
Special Agent in Charge

EJD:GEC  
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28-4114-  
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CITY OF DENISON

POLICE DEPARTMENT

DENISON, TEXAS

✓  
Notation on Clyde Champion Barrow Circular  
# 1244

Mrs. Otha Winkler, sister, Denison Tex

Correct information is

Mrs. Arthur Winkler, sister, her husband  
is Wilbur J. Winkler circulation mgr

Denison Herald

she is not supposed to be here now  
but Winkler is

26-H/14-118  
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Nacogdoches, Texas.  
Nov. 15, 1933.

Memo:

Re: Clyde Barrow, S.P.C., Fugitive  
# 26/4114/-119

Chief of Police Drewry stated that sometime in August, 1933, a report was received in Nacogdoches that Clyde, a woman and another man were at Jim Muckelroy's, that the Sheriff's force went to Muckelroy's at Martinsville, but found no one; however, it was believed that Clyde and his party had left before the officers arrived, that later L. C. Barrow, Clyde's younger brother was caught at Muckelroy's, and since then nothing has been heard of the Barrows in that part of the country.

C. Brinkman  
Special Agent

11-17-33 - JVB



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## Memorandum for the file

Re Clyde Champion Barrow with aliases et al, I.O. 1211  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Doug Walsh, Superintendent of the Bureau of Identification, Dallas Police department advised this agent that he received information from one Bob Alcorn, deputy sheriff, and former police officer that Alcorn has an informant who regularly contacts Clyde Barrow. In this connection he stated that Alcorn, who has not much confidence in the sheriff's department, but is nevertheless afraid of losing his job, told Sheriff Smooth Smith about the informant, that arrangements were made to place Clyde Barrow on the spot. The informant notified Alcorn on Saturday, October 28, 1933 that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker would be on the road near Duncanville, Texas, that accordingly Sheriff Schmidt and Alcorn went to the place and there saw Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker in a Ford V 8 1933 Coach, that at the same time another Ford V8 car drove up with Bonnie's sister Billie Cras, and another Ford V8 was seen in the vicinity. Sheriff Smith said he was satisfied that the informant was OK but did nothing to apprehend Barrow.

Doug Walsh also informed this agent that William Daniel Jones, ~~xxxxxxx~~ of West Dallas, at one time convicted of the Dyer act with L. C. Barrow, is also known to be with Clyde, and the informant states that he believes this is Jack Sherman. A photograph of William Daniel Jones, Beaumont No. 3715, was secured from the Beaumont police and forwarded by letter to the Kansas City office with request to submit the same to Henry Massengill, of Dallas, who travelled with Clyde Barrow and was arrested at Dodge City, Kansas, after being deserted by Clyde.

The writer also interviewed Bob Alcorn at the request of Doug Walsh. He stated he would like to work with the Dallas Division office and the police, and in this connection suggested seeing Smooth Smith.

Agent interviewed Smooth Smith sheriff suggesting his coordinating all information with a view of apprehending Clyde Barrow. Sheriff Smith declined to do so, stating he was now close on Barrow's heels, and at the present did not think it would do any good to divulge his plans, etc to the Dallas Division office. He stated that after following the same for about two weeks, he might ask the assistance of the Dallas Division office, but at present preferred to work alone.

Doug Walsh promised to keep in touch with Bob Alcorn who is an intimate friend of his, and in the event that information is received from him which ~~xxxxxxx~~ might be helpful in locating Clyde Barrow, Mr. Walsh states he will notify the Dallas Division office.

E. J. Dowd,  
Special Agent.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS**

FILE NO. **22-2301**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Chicago, Illinois</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>11/22/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>10/24/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>W. C. JAMISON</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROWS, with aliases, FUGITIVE et al., I. O. 1211</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Armory at Plattville, Illinois, burglarized three times; April 12, August 1, and August 20, 1933. Prior to first burglary suspicious strangers in village but none observed prior to other two. First burglary resulted in loss of arms and other government supplies to value of \$328.08; no loss in second; only arms taken in third. No evidence secured as to identity of perpetrators in local investigation by sheriff and commanding officer of company assigned to Armory. Sheriff of opinion first job by outside criminals others by local talent; commanding officer of opinion no local persons involved. Arms recovered from Barrows gang were part of loot obtained in first burglary. Complete list of all arms taken secured.

P.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Agent J. J. Keating, dated Chicago, Ill., 10/19/33 and report of Agent G. B. Morris, dated St. Louis, 10/7/33.

**DETAILS:**

**DETAILS:**

On October 26, 1933, Captain Charles G. Howell, Commanding officer of Company E., 129th Infantry, R.R. No. 2., Yorkville, Ill., telephone Plattville, 37 W 1., was interviewed concerning the theft of Automatic Rifles and Colt Automatic Pistols from the Plattville Armory.

The armory is situated in Plattville, Illinois, a small village with about 120 inhabitants, and is located on a side street, unnamed.

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It is an oblong building, 40 by 90 feet in dimensions, facing South. The main entrance is by a small door at the Southwest corner. In the rear of the building are three rooms, entered from the inside by doors protected with Yale locks. The room in the Northwest corner is the supply room where one arm rack is also kept; the middle room is the locker room where the other arm racks are kept; the room in the Northeast corner is the officers room in which there is one small window. There are five windows on the West side of the building and five on the East side, including the one set into the wall of the Officers room. The windows are all protected by wire netting and the main entrance door was locked with a Yale lock.

Captain Howell advised that the building has been burglarized three times. The first time between 8 p.m. of April 19, and 9 a.m. of April 20, 1933. On this occasion the front door was jimmied open and the Yale locks on the three doors to the rear rooms were also jimmied. The locks on the lockers were either cut or pried open, both methods being used, as were also the locks on the arm racks.

Captain Howell produced an affidavit by Wm. D. Reed, supply sergeant, to the effect that when Reed left the premises on the evening of April 19, at 6 p.m. all property was secure and locked up. That at 9 a.m. on April 20, he found the front door open and the wood around the lock and frame of the front door mangled by some instrument. He notified Captain Howell and an inspection by that officer disclosed that the locks on supply room, locker room, and officers room were cut and that in the locker room the locks on arm racks were broken and contents removed.

Also in the file is an affidavit by the Sheriff, Martin Haxtell, of Yorkville, Ill., stating that he was called to the Plattville Armory at the summons of Captain Howell at 9:15 a.m. on April 20, 1933. That he found doors jimmied and locks on rooms and arm racks broken or cut off.

Captain Howell advised that the wire fence back of the armory had been cut and footstaps treed through the pasture back of the armory to a point several hundred yards East to the road on which the armory faces and that there were indications the arms and other supplies had been carried to that point and there loaded into an automobile.

On the day preceding the burglary, a Ford Model A, Four Door Sedan bearing a Missouri License, number not noted, and containing three men and

two women appeared in Plattville. One of these men entered the grocery store of William Corrigan and purchased a box of soda. Mr. Corrigan states that this man inquired if there was an armory in Plattville. Corrigan describes this man as being about 35 years of age, weighing about 150 pounds, and about 5 feet 8 inches in height. Dark hair, dark complexion, clean shaven, fairly well dressed and with a peculiar accent when speaking.

This same man also talked with Wm. D. Reed, the supply sergeant above referred to, who gave substantially the same description but added that he talked with a southern accent, and had rather a thin face and sickly looking. Reed says he also saw the car and the other two men and two women but as they were seated in the car he could not furnish any description, except to say that one woman was a blonde, the other a brunette, and both looked like hard characters. He did not note the license number of the car.

This same man also spoke to a Mr. Dan Iverson who lives on the main road of the village several hundred yards North of the Armory. He told Iverson he was looking for a man named Sullivan who belonged to the National Guard and asked Iverson if he knew Sullivan or where the armory was. Iverson pointed out the Armory and told him no Sullivan lived in the neighborhood but that several members of the Company were standing down the street and to ask them. The car pulled out of the village without any further inquiries being made. Iverson could furnish no description of the people in the car, except that their spokesman had a very pale face, and he did not note the license number.

Late that night two boys, one named Knudson, the other Reep, drove by a school house located on the main road of the village but at some distance from the road on which the Armory is situated. They saw a car parked there without lights and thinking they were spooners drove close to them. When the occupants of the parked car saw their approach they turned on their lights and drove away. Captain Howell says he has interviewed both these boys and that they could not say whether or not the car had a Missouri license. These boys were in Joplin on the day Agent called and could not be located for an interview.

Captain Howell advises that an inventory of all Government property had been taken on March 8, 1933 and at that time all property was present and accounted for. That immediately after this burglary an inventory was taken and the following government property was missing:

3 Rifles, Auto. Browning, Cal. 30. Model 1918	\$ 347.82
20 Magazines - 20 round assembly	10.00
2 cases excess and spare parts leather, Model 1918 without contents	2.04
3 Gun slings, Model 1907, modified	4.20
3 Tools cleaning gas cylinders	1.00

3 Tool combinations	\$ .21
10 Pistols, Auto. Cal. 45, Model 1911	268.80
3 Holsters, pistol	5.01
10 Magazines assembly	8.30
2 Rifles, U.S. Cal. 30 Model 1903	65.60
2 Covers front sight	.10
2 Gun slings, Model 1907, leather	2.32
2 Case, oiler and thongs	1.18
2 Bayonets Model 1903	7.70
2 Scabbards, bayonet	4.43
	<u>\$ 723.96</u>

In addition to these items ordnance stores to the value of \$100.12 were found to be missing.

The serial numbers of the pistols and rifles taken are as follows: 3 U.S. Rifles, Cal. 30, Model 1903, 385686 and 392729, 10 Automatic pistols, Cal. 45, Model 1911, 237439, 370085, 272264, 373993, 376580, 417140, 436167, 451697, 439733, 506915. 3 Automatic Browning Rifles, Cal. 30, Model 1918, 251620, 252122, 252860.

The numbers underlined are the serial numbers of the pistols and rifles recovered from the Barrow gang as set forth in the reference report of Agent C. E. Morris.

Captain Howell advises that the Armory was again entered while the Company was at Taylorville, Illinois, between July 29, and August 14, 1933 but that as all property was with the Company nothing was obtained. The front door was again the point of attack.

Sheriff Martin Hextall advises that this entry occurred about four days after the Company departed for Taylorville, which would place the date as the night of August 1-2, 1933. That he was called to the Armory and found the front door had been broken open and also found a jack handle, iron, and a tire tool had been left behind. That he had attempted to develop fingerprints but got only smudges as the tools had been handled by everyone in town.

Captain Howell advises that the last time the Armory was entered was sometime between 5:30 p.m. August 20, and 10 a.m. August 21, 1933. At which time 6 Automatic Pistols and 3 Browning rifles were taken. The Captain was unable to locate his copies of the reports covering this burglary, but stated that the details were similar to the other occurrences except that this time the entry was made by prying the wire netting from the window entering the Officers Room in the Northwest corner of the building, forcing the door entering from

this room into the Armory proper and forcing the door to the locker room. Although the lock on the arms rack was broken and 6 automatic pistols taken, 5 automatic pistols were left behind.

Captain Howell states that there were no reports of any suspicious persons being about Plattville prior to the second and third burglaries.

Captain Howell further advised that practically every member of his Company had been personally known to him and that all were sons of persons who had lived in the vicinity of Plattville for years and that he had no reason to suspect or to believe that any member of his Company was involved. He stated that they had many opportunities to abetreat Government property if they so desired without running the hazards of burglary.

Inquiry in and about the village of Plattville failed to produce any other information of value.

Sheriff Martin Hertell was interviewed at Yorkville, the County Seat, but beyond confirming the report of Captain Howell was unable to furnish any specific information. He stated he was called on all three burglaries and had made an investigation in each case and was convinced that the first burglary was committed by outside talent but is inclined to think the last two were by neighborhood boys. In the second burglary, as above noted, he found a jack handle and automobile tire tool had been left behind, and in the third burglary he found another jack handle, identical in appearance with the first one found, another tire tool, and a heavy screwdriver. He tried to develop fingerprints without success. These tools have been lying about his office since that time and handled by many persons, accordingly Agent did not take possession of them but instructed the Sheriff to preserve them for possible use later.

The Sheriff had destroyed any notes he had made as to these events and seemed quite hazy as to details. He did state that he suspected that three boys named Bob Keefe, one Redwick(?), Sheriff uncertain of spelling, and one Towns might be involved. He stated the first two named were now thought to be in Hedley, Texas, and that they took two girls with them when they went down there. Towns is still about the neighborhood and is a member of Company E. The Sheriff stated the Towns family were a tough lot. However, he had nothing but suspicions and nothing definite in any way implicating them.

Captain Howell was reinterviewed with reference to Towns. He stated that Charles Towns and George Towns are both members of his company. That they have been in hard luck and out of work and both live with their

mother on an island in the Fox River below Oswego. He said both boys were good workers when work was available and that the Sheriff had once tried to evict Mrs. Towns from the island and she had stood him off with a shot gun. He believed this incident caused the sheriff to be prejudiced against the whole Towns family. As far as he knew the boys were well behaved and had never been in any difficulty with the law. Their conduct in his company was good, they attended drill regularly, and he had no reason to believe they were involved in the burglaries.

On November 15, 1933 Captain Howell furnished in a letter the serial numbers of the arms taken in the burglary occurring the night of August 20-21, 1933. They are as follows: Browning Automatic Rifles; 231783, 231907, 21345. Colt Automatic Pistols; 13861, 49440, 232124, 430137, 446812, 594281.

The Armory is now protected by an electric siren alarm.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

CHICAGO OFFICE: At Lucerne, Indiana, will submit photographs of Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and the unknown man to employees of the Lucerne, Indiana, Bank for identification.

At Plattville, Illinois, will submit photograph of Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and unknown man to Wm. D. Reed, Wm. Corrigan and Dan Iverson for identification.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

FILE NO. 88-4114-122

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>11-27-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>11-22-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>G. D. WINTREAR.</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAPMAN BARROW, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I.O. 1211; et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and unknown persons reported at various times to have been in vicinity of Dallas for past two or three months. Clyde and Bonnie jumped by sheriff and three deputies on November 22nd between Dallas and Ft. Worth, Texas, and made their escape under fire.

P.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent W. C. Jamison, Chicago, Ill., dated 11-22-33.

**DETAILS:**

Rumors have been persistent in police circles for the past two months that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker have been in hiding in the river bottoms in the vicinity of Dallas, but no definite location was obtained.

Sheriff R. A. Schmid was reported to have apprehended a person at Houston, Texas who had previously furnished him information to the effect that this un-named person was a companion of Clyde Barrow and the late Buck Barrow and participated in the murder of two officers at Joplin, Missouri. He was permitted to depart without being taken into custody, but later picked up in Houston, Texas and is reported to have furnished a 60 page statement to an assistant state district attorney and through some unknown contact the sheriff's department ascertained that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were meeting their relatives on certain nights of the week in a pasture in the vicinity of Dallas and that Sheriff Schmid and his deputies on one or two occasions hid out and watched the participants in these meetings and made no attempt to capture Barrow.

On November 22, 1933, information was furnished the Dallas Division Office by one Red Webster that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were in

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hiding at some point on a little-used road between Irving and Dallas or between Ft. Worth and Irving, Texas. Agent and Red Webster made a tour of that country on that date but could find no likely looking place of concealment and for fear of upsetting the plans of Sheriff Schmid, no persons in the vicinity of Irving were interviewed.

On the night of November 22, 1933, Sheriff Schmid and three of his deputies, evidently acting on a previous tip, opened fire on Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker from their point of concealment on what is called the Stovers Road near Irving, Texas. Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker returned the fire and the result of this brush the sheriff's department shot several holes in a Ford V-8 Coupe which is reported to have been stolen in Wichita Falls, Texas, on the night of November 15, 1933, the owner being Glen Daniel of Waurika, Oklahoma, and Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker effected their escape. They then went to the main highway between Dallas and Ft. Worth and headed West toward Ft. Worth where they overtook two men in an automobile and without warning fired on that automobile, forced the occupants therefrom and fled in that car, leaving behind the car which had been shot up by the sheriff and his deputies. It is thought that neither was wounded in this encounter. No information as to their whereabouts has been obtained since that night.

On November 6, 1933, Special Agent E. J. Dowd of the Dallas Office called on Sheriff Schmid in connection with this matter, but Sheriff Schmid informed him that he was close on Barrow's heels and declined to cooperate or attempt any assistance in the matter and would not divulge his plans for taking Barrow, stating he was close on his heels and preferred to work alone on the matter.

Chief of Police Tom Brewery of Mesquite Lake, Texas, informed Special Agent Winstead on November 15, 1933, that sometime in August, 1933, a report was received in Mesquite Lake that Clyde Barrow, a woman and another man were at Jim Buckelroy's near the city and that the sheriff's department at Mesquite Lake went to Buckelroy's but found no one at home; however, it is believed by the officers in that locality that Clyde and his party had left shortly before the officers arrived. Subsequent to that time L. C. Barrow, Clyde's brother, was apprehended at Buckelroy's and returned to Dallas on a car theft charge and was released on bond and forfeited same. He now is a fugitive from justice in the State Court. Since then no information has been received indicating that any of the Barrows are in that part of the State of Texas. Efforts are being made by the Dallas Division Office to identify the man who is reported to have been accompanying Clyde Barrow for the past several months known as Jack Sherman.

The Dallas Office will continue its efforts to locate Barrow and Parker.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas**O. C. FILE NO. **36-3779**

REPORT MADE AT <b>Oklahoma City</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11/24/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>11/20/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>J. Massey Egar</b>
TITLE <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases, et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** John Ed Williams, Ardmore, Okla., was owner of 4-door Ford Sedan. Same was stolen 7/9/33 from Ardmore, Okla. Had certificate of title, which was given to Sam P. Hale, Ford Dealer, which was later turned over to United Adjustment and Inspection Co., Okla. City, Okla., for adjustment of insurance. Car valued at \$730.

P.

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 10/13/33.

**DETAILS:**

Rebecca Williams, daughter of John Ed Williams, 26 N. W. 6th Street, Ardmore, Oklahoma, was interviewed by Agent, and she advised that they had not lived at 626 N. W. 6th Street, Ardmore, Oklahoma, but that they have been living at 26 N. W. 6th Street all the time, and that they owned a Four-Door Ford Sedan, 1933 Model, and that same was stolen from the driveway at their home in Ardmore on July 9, 1933; that she was the last person who drove the car and left it parked in their driveway about 12:30 P. M., on the 9th day of July, 1933; that she and her father had ridden home to lunch in the car, and that the car was stolen between 12:30 P. M. and 12:45 P. M., on the same date. She advised that she did not have any idea who stole the car; that she left the keys to the car in same and that it was not locked. She further advised Agent that they had collected insurance on the theft of the car, and that the amount that they collected she did not know, but that such amount as was collected was applied on a new car, which they bought of Sam P. Hale, Ford Dealer, and that at the time her father filed claim for the loss of the car they turned the certificate of title over to said Hale, and that Hale turned same over to the Adjustment Company for settlement of the theft. She estimated the value of the

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car to be \$730.00.

The office records of Sam P. Hale, Ford Dealer, Ardmore, Oklahoma, were reviewed and same disclosed that Four-door Ford Sedan, Motor Number 40-310946 was sold to John E. Williams on May 31, 1933, and that the title to same was turned over to United Adjustment & Inspection Company, Key Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma when claim was filed for loss of car by theft.

Mrs. Geneva D. Mullens, Tag Agent for Carter County, Ardmore, Oklahoma, was interviewed by Agent, and her records disclosed that certificate of title No. 1181941 was issued on June 2, 1933 to car owned by Ed Williams, Ford Sedan, 1933 Model, Motor No. 40-310946, same showing a lien on car of \$300.00.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE AT OKLAHOMA CITY, will ascertain from the United Adjustment & Inspection Company, Key Building, if they are in possession of certificate of title to car in question.

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420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

November 28, 1933.

MEMORANDUM to Mr. Dowd:

Re: CLYDE BARROW; et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

As you travel through the field, please furnish all local officers as much information as possible concerning Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker; and urge them to notify us promptly by telephone collect should any information come to their attention concerning the pair.

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Kansas City, Missouri.**

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REPORT MADE AT: <b>Kansas City, Mo.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-2-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>10-17 &amp; 11-21-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. E. CALHOUN</b>	<b>JGW</b>
TITLE: <b>HAROLD THORNBROUGH, with alias (Deceased) RAYMOND CECIL THORNBROUGH - FUGITIVE</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** County Attorney at Platte City, Missouri reported a rumor that Harold Thornbrugh, now deceased, was a member of the "Barrow Gang". Cecil Thornbrugh, now in County Jail at Topeka, Kansas denied such, and Blanch Barrow, now at Missouri Prison for Women, Jefferson City, likewise denied the rumor.

P.

**DETAILS:** Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy of the Kansas City Division Office in a memorandum dated September 20, 1933 stated that County Attorney D. R. Clevinger of Platte City, Missouri had telephoned that Cecil Thornbrugh had admitted that his brother Harold Thornbrugh, now deceased, had been a member of the "Barrow Gang" and was known as Jack Sherman, alias Hubert Bleigh. Mr. Clevinger stated that he would be pleased to go to Jefferson City, Missouri to interview Blanch Barrow, member of the gang, at a time an Agent should do so. Mr. Conroy, after reviewing the two complete files, determined that the possibility of Harold Thornbrugh' having been a member of the Barrow Gang was remote, and Mr. Clevinger was so advised, at which time Mr. Clevinger stated that he believed his previous information incorrect.

**DETAILS:** Special Agent R. C. Suran interviewed Cecil Thornbrugh at the County Jail at Topeka, Kansas where he is awaiting trial for assault upon a custodian of the mails, and Cecil Thornbrugh denied the story of his brother's connection with the Barrows. He stated that he was in Prescott, Kansas on the night of the shooting affray at Platte City, Missouri on the part of the Barrows, and that neither he nor his deceased brother had ever seen the Barrows.

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Blanch Barrow, who is serving a sentence at the Women's Prison at Jefferson City, Missouri viewed a photo of Harold Thornbrugh and stated positively that this man had never had any connection with the Barrows to her knowledge. She asserted that since Buck Barrow, her husband, was now dead, she had no reason to conceal any fact concerning the gang. She further stated that the Barrows never mentioned the name of Thornbrugh at any time.

One copy of this report is being furnished the Dallas Office for its information in the file captioned Clyde Champion Barrow, et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

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# COUNTY OF HENDERSON

JNO W. BALLOW, COUNTY JUDGE

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W. H. CASEY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

ATHENS, TEXAS

November 29th, 1933

U. S. Bureau of Investigation,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:

Can you furnish us with a photo of Clyde Barrow?  
if so get it to us at once.

Yours very truly

Jess Sweeten, Sheriff  
Henderson County.

By

*J. M. Kameles*  
Deputy

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420 Post Office Building  
DALLAS, TEXAS

December 4, 1933.

Mr. Jess Sweeten,  
Sheriff, Henderson County,  
Athens, Texas.

Att: Mr. J. W. Karnes, deputy sheriff

As requested in your letter dated November 29th, I  
am sending you photograph of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

In the event that you have any information concerning  
their whereabouts, please wire or telephone 23866 Dallas, Texas, COLLECT.

Very truly yours,

D. L. MC CONNACK, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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20-4114-128

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-4-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>11-27-33 12-1-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>C. B. WINSTEAD.</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases; et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Winnie Wolfe and Mary O'Dare, nee Chandless, deny they know Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. Chief of Police Dick Morris, Wichita Falls, Texas, will undertake to get information of Barrow's whereabouts through Tom Chandless. Capt. W. E. Wyatt, Police Department, Sheriff's Office and State Highway Patrol Office, Wichita Falls, each will furnish Dallas Division Office with all information concerning Barrow obtained by them.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, dated 11-27-33.

**DETAILS:**

On the evening of November 29, 1933, this Agent while at Gainesville, Texas, was informed by long distance telephone from the Dallas Division Office that the car - Ford V-8 Coupe - which was abandoned by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker on the evening after they had the shooting scrape at Dallas with the Sheriff, had been stolen at Wichita Falls, Texas.

**DETAILS:**

Agent conferred with Sheriff Bert Browning, Chief of Police Jess Loving, and County Highway Patrol Officer Doc Dudley at Gainesville in connection with this matter. They each stated that in case they learned anything concerning Clyde Barrow they would immediately notify the Dallas Division Office. Agent also conferred with Deputy Sheriff Jim Henry at Montague, Texas, and he stated that he would talk with the sheriff, and any information which that office might possibly obtain concerning Clyde Barrow would be furnished the Dallas Division Office.

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Agent contacted Captain W. E. Wyatt, Special Agent for the Ft. Worth & Denver City Railroad at Wichita Falls, Texas, and he stated that Mary Chandless, wife of Eugene O'Dare, one of Clyde Barrow's former friends and co-partner in crime, is now living in Gainesville; as also is a girl by the name of Winnie Wolfe, whose first husband is serving a term in the penitentiary and who is separated from her last husband and has taken up with some man who lives in Oklahoma; that one Bill Helms, yard master for the M.K. & T. Railroad at Wichita Falls, Texas, lived with these two girls for a while.

Agent in company with Capt. Wyatt interviewed Bill Helms and he stated he set Winnie Wolfe and Mary Chandless up in business in a beauty shop in Wichita Falls and they all lived down on Scott Street together but they had had a falling out and he took his beauty shop back to sell it but that they still are more or less friendly; that Mary Chandless is now living at the Hearne Hotel, having moved there the last few days; that old man Tom Chandless, her father, and the father of O'Dell Chandless, has moved back to Wichita Falls and is again living with his wife at the edge of town; that he is sure that he saw Clyde Barrow at the Scott Street house where Winnie Wolfe and Mary Chandless lived for a while, sometime in March or April of this year, but that in talking to these two girls about Barrow and Bonnie Parker they both denied that they know her; that he will make every effort to get some information out of them and furnish it to Capt. Wyatt immediately and if Capt. Wyatt is away from the city he will notify the Dallas Division Office.

Helms has had a little trouble with the local officers at Wichita Falls and will not do anything to assist them.

Winnie Wolfe, 1109 Austin Street, Wichita Falls, Texas, was contacted and stated that she knows Lillie McBride at Dallas and has visited at Lillie McBride's house; that she got acquainted with Lillie through Mary Chandless, who is the wife of Eugene O'Dare, now serving a sentence in the Texas Penitentiary for bank robbery with Mary's brother O'Dell Chandless.

It will be recalled that efforts are being made by the officers at Dallas to apprehend O'Dell Chandless for robbery of a bank at Grapevine, Texas, at the Lillie McBride house on the night the Deputy Sheriff, Malcolm Davis of Ft. Worth, Texas, was killed, and it is reported that W. D. Jones, now held by the Dallas Sheriff's office has confessed he and Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were the ones who killed Malcolm Davis that night. Every effort was made to induce Winnie Wolfe to admit she knew Clyde Barrow and that he had been at her house in Wichita Falls, Texas, within the past few months but that she was persistent in her denial of acquaintanceship with either Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker.

Bill Helms did not know the name of the man who goes with Winnie Wolfe at this time, but stated he is an Oklahoma man - he thinks a banker - and he stated that when Winnie Wolfe at the behest of Mary Chandless went to LaGrange, Texas and falsely testified in the State Courts there in February, that she had given a permanent wave to both Raymond Hamilton (brother of Lillie McBride) and Eugene O'Dare on the day the bank was robbed, for which they went to trial; that she was arrested for perjury and this Oklahoma man furnished her bond.

Winnie Wolfe stated her boy friend now is Mr. Redfield Briggs, a man about 40 years of age, a salesman for the Wilson Packing Company at Frederick, Okla. Winnie Wolfe also stated she believes Mary Chandless is in some way related to Lillie McBride of Dallas and that recently Mary Chandless visited at the McBride home in Dallas and then Lillie McBride visited Mary at Wichita Falls. She also stated that her perjury trial is called for Tuesday at LaGrange, Texas, and that Mary Chandless is responsible for her going down there and testifying falsely in that case.

The register at the Hearne Hotel disclosed that Mr. & Mrs. B. A. Pitts of Dallas, Texas, registered there on November 27, 1933, and occupied room 101.

Agent called at that room and found a young man there about 27 or 28 years of age, weighed about 155 pounds, blue eyes, fair complexion, blond hair - wavy - who claimed that his name was Barney Pitts; that he has been in Wichita Falls about three months, having come there from McCassey, Texas, where he was in the cleaning and pressing business; that he has never been arrested for anything except being drunk a time or two and never had his fingerprints taken. He admitted he was living there with Mary O'Dare; that they are not married. Mary Chandless O'Dare came to the room while Agent was talking to Pitts, and upon being questioned denied positively she had ever seen either Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker. She did admit, however, that she visited Lillie McBride in Dallas and was at her home during August and part of September; that Lillie McBride lives only two blocks from Mr. & Mrs. Barrow; that she met L. C. Barrow while there and feels very sorry for him. She stated that her brother O'Dell Chandless is now located on Eastern Farm, part of the Texas Penitentiary System, and that O'Dell did not know Clyde Barrow. She also stated that if she knew anything about Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker she would not willingly give that information to any officer.

The Ford V-8 Coupe which was abandoned by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker on the night of the fight with the Dallas Sheriff's Department, bears motor 40-438021, and was stolen at Wichita Falls, Texas at about 11:45 A.M., November 15, 1933, at which time it bore Oklahoma License 483370. The owner - Daniels - had driven the car to the house where he was visiting at 1300 Austin Street, just shortly before it was stolen on that date. Mr. Daniels' address is Taurika, Oklahoma, phone 469. At the time the car was stolen there were only 1800 miles shown on the speedometer and he stated to the local officers at Wichita Falls that he had just had the gas tank filled and the oil changed.

Special attention is called to the fact that this car was stolen at 1300 Austin Street, which is just one block below 1100 Austin Street, which is on a corner where Winnie Wolfe resides and operates a beauty parlor.

Through Capt. Fred Hickman of the State Highway Patrol at Wichita Falls, Texas, it was learned that a new Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan was stolen sometime in September from a salesman of the LaSage Motor Company of Wichita Falls, Texas, and was recovered down near Cleburne, Texas and from the description of the person who stole that car in broad open daylight and was seen, it was thought that the individual in that case also was Clyde Barrow.

It was learned at the LaSage Motor Company from the employees, that Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, 1933 model, 265,718, was stolen at Wichita Falls, on Sept. 6, 1933 when salesman Reed drove the car out for a demonstration and left it on the street for a few moments; that at the time that car was stolen it bore 1933 Texas License A96475; that this car was stolen by either a constable or Deputy Sheriff near Cleburne or Joshua, Texas; that the Insurance Adjuster who returned the car reported that a man and woman in this car showed up one night at a farmer's house in the country out of Cleburne and spent the night as a head gasket had been blown out of the car; that the next morning the woman who was with the thief stayed out in the country with the car while the thief employed the farmer with whom they had spent the night, to take him into Cleburne, Texas, stating he had a relative in Cleburne whose street address he did not know but he would know the house when he saw it and asked the farmer to drive him around and he would locate the house; that upon coming to a house where a lady had just driven a new Plymouth Car into the driveway and got out, the thief stated there is the car, and told the farmer to go on back home and he would get his relatives to drive him back to the farm where he would get his wife and car; that the thief ran up the driveway, jumped in the Plymouth car, started it and backed out; that the man at this house yelled to him but the thief cursed him and kept going in the car; that when he arrived at the farmer's house his woman companion was waiting for him and they threw their belongings out of the Ford Car into the Plymouth and drove away.

Sometime during the latter part of October or early part of November an oil refinery in East Texas somewhere near Kilgore, Overton or Arp, Texas, was held up and robbed; that the robbers were driving a car which bore license A96475.

The next time an Agent of the Dallas Office is in the vicinity of Cleburne, photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker should be submitted to the farmer and his wife at whose house the thief who stole the Ford Sedan at Wichita Falls, stopped, in an effort to either have that person identified as Clyde Barrow or eliminated; and in that way it is possible that the identity of the refinery thief may be made.

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CITY OF DENISON

POLICE DEPARTMENT

DENISON, TEXAS

December, 6, 1933

Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Since Mr. Winstead was here a few days ago we have gotten a little more information concerning Wilber Winkler, brother-in-law of Clyde Champion Barrow.

Winkler's father and mother live in Dallas, and we understand that they have charge of an apartment house.

As we explained to Mr. Winstead, Winkler has a position with the Denison Herald, also has a Beauty Parlor and also an office that he uses privately. I do not think that any one was able to tell Mr. Winstead where this office is located at time he was here. However it is at 200 1/2 W Main, over the Furman Pharmacy.

Any other information we are able to get we will gladly send to you.

Yours sincerely,

J. R. Dishner,  
Chief of Police.

by

12/9/33

Bob Alcorn, Dep Sheriff  
States Ervington Hotel Supts  
1200 S Erving - Clyde Barrow  
now works Ervington Beauty Parlor  
Dallas, Tex

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REPORT MADE AT: <b>Dallas, Texas</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12/8/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/8/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. Massey Edgar</b>
TITLE: <b>Oklahoma City</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases, et al National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Certificate of title to Ed Williams' 4-Door Ford Sedan sent to home office of United Adjustment and Inspection Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and in turn sent to Retail Hardware Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

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REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. Massey Edgar, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 11/24/33.

## DETAILS:

The United Adjustment and Inspection Company, 344 Key Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was contacted and their files disclose that the certificate of title to Four-Door Ford Sedan owned by Ed Williams, Ardmore, Oklahoma, and stolen July 9, 1933, was sent to United Adjustment and Inspection Company, Des Moines, Iowa about September 28, 1933; and this office, in turn, sent same with Registration Certificate to Retail Hardware Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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DETAILS

THE ST. PAUL OFFICE AT MINNEAPOLIS, will ascertain from Retail Hardware Mutual Fire Insurance Company if they have possession of certificate of title and Registration Certificate, issued in Carter County, Oklahoma, 6/2/33 to Ed Williams, Ardmore, Oklahoma. Certificate of title No. 1181941, Four-Door Ford Sedan, 1933 Model, Motor No. 40-810946. Claim settled for \$705.00.

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TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. 1211; et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Cashier Lucerne State Bank, Lucerne, Indiana, and witnesses of holdup in May, 1933, do not identify Barrow or Bonnie Parker as being participants.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent C. E. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, 5/23/33 and Special Agent W. C. Jamison, Chicago, Illinois, 11/22/33.

**DETAILS:**

**AT LUCERNE, INDIANA.**

Mr. E. Gregg, Cashier of the Lucerne State Bank stated that he was in the bank early in May, 1933, at the time that several men held up the place, but that the descriptions and photographs of Barrow and the other man, probably Floyd, were not the men who held up the bank. He stated that the two women in the holdup did not come into the bank but stayed in a car and fired a number of shots at the citizens as the gang made their escape. He referred Agent to Mr. Urs Witters, in front of whose home the bandit car was parked.

**DETAILS:**

Mr. Urs Witters was shown the pictures of Bonnie Parker but he stated positively that she was not one of the two women in the bandit car. He stated that he had a good opportunity to observe the women since they had the bandit car parked in front of his home.

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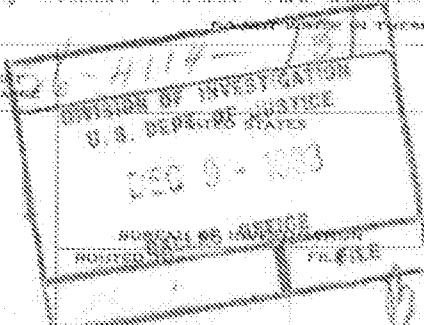
THE CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE, at Plattville, Illinois, will submit photograph of Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and unknown men to

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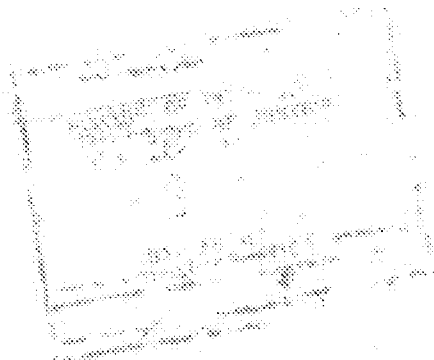
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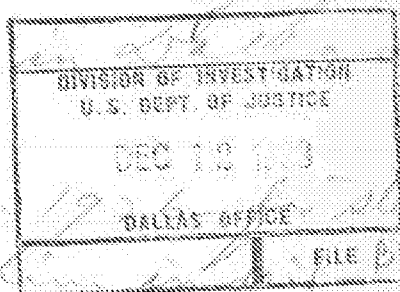
William D. Reed, William Corrigan and Ben Iversen for identification.

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Memo: Re: Clyde Barrow 12/11/33

Phone Leggs Garland - ~~448~~ 1501 Hendricks Ave.  
Armed sentence Lowville - formerly operator  
of Ball Jack Business well known -



Caught Clyde Barrow in 1932 for stealing  
one of his cars and put him in jail.

Since then he has served time - Thomas  
Lilly Mr. Bride - can get contact with her  
as Bud Trace worked for him.

Either last Tues. or Wed. he saw  
and recognized Clyde Barrow and Bonnie  
Parker in front seat with another couple  
in the rear seat, in a new Ford V-8  
Sedan, driving on Morrell Ave near 6th  
St. headed East.

Garland will make proper contact,  
will get with Clyde, endeavor to  
disarm him and Bonnie.

Garland will notify this office  
if and when he makes this contact, so  
we will know he is with him, that he  
will make every effort to get Clyde  
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on the spot for me, but if unable to do  
so will enter with Clyde on a job  
and shoot him inside the place he  
is trying to pick up and bring Bonnie  
in.

Garland works some at Jake Tippo's  
112 N. Marcelline Ph. 65093 -

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TELEGRAM	CABLE
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE
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NIGHT LETTER	EMERGENCY

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

DALLAS TEXAS DECEMBER 12 1933

R D MORRIS  
CHIEF OF POLICE  
WICHITA FALLS TEXAS

THE MURDERERS OF FAY OKLAHOMA APPREHENDED APPARENTLY NOT BARROW

THANKS

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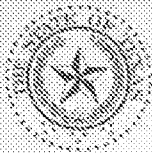
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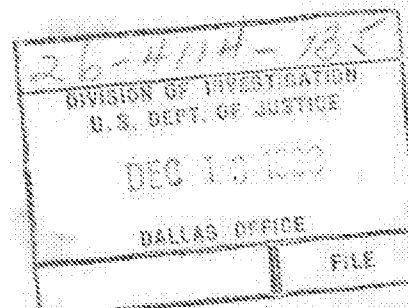
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

AUSTIN

Wichita Falls, Texas.  
December 12, 1933.

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION  
W. R. ELY  
CHAIRMAN  
COME JOHNSON  
D. K. MARTIN  
COMMISSIONERS  
GIBB SILCHRIST  
STATE HIGHWAY ENGINEER  
IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE  
REFER TO FILE NO. ....  
DESK NO. ....

Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.



Dear Sir:

The following described persons and automobiles were here in Wichita Falls for some time this summer and early in the fall. We were unsuccessful in determining that Clyde Barrow visited with them but we think that they did. The local police department tried to locate him there and finally made a rade on the place. These people left here several weeks ago and said they were going to California. I failed to find out definately where they are from the daughter of one of the women but she assured me that they were in California. I am of the oppinion that they are some where in Dallas.

These two women are sisters and are traveling in two Cadalac automobiles. Mrs. Mennie Kennedy and Mrs. Faye Colter or Coulter have a Cadalac Special Coupe Texas license 304-444 motor 315187 and Cadalac Sedan Texas license 349-289 motor 321983; and left Wichita Falls in these two automobiles.

We understand that Mrs. Colter uses the name of Mrs. E. F. Cunningham and Mrs. Parker. I am of the opinion that additional information can be secured about these people in Dallas police circles.

Should you decide that it is worth checking these women you can determine whether they have entered California by Writing the Bureau O f Automobile Registration as they are required to prove ownership before entering that state with an automobile.

Yours very truly,

*Fred Hickman*

Fred Hickman, Captain,  
State Highway Patrol,

Dallas, Texas,  
December 14, 1933.

MEMORANDUM

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Special Agents E.J. Dowd and C. B. Winstead interviewed Wm. Daniel Jones at the Dallas Division Office on December 6th & 7th, 1933, and after verifying the signed statements made by him to Winton R. King, Assistant States District Attorney, Dallas County, Dallas, Texas, Jones gave the following information, particularly regarding stolen automobiles and guns and ammunition stolen by Clyde and Buck Barrow:

Jones stated that when he met Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker about Christmas, 1932, they were traveling in a Ford V-8 Coupe with two wheels on the running board and khaki top. This car, Jones stated, Barrow told him was stolen near a high school in Tyler, Texas; that after Clyde Barrow had killed a man while attempting to steal a car in Temple, Texas and also having killed Malcolm Davis, a Deputy Sheriff, as already outlined in his signed statements mentioned above, Jones stated that they left Dallas, Texas in the same automobile and went to different places in Missouri and Illinois where they remained for probably a week; that they came to Texarkana, Texas and abandoned the Ford V-8 Coupe with khaki top.

Clyde Barrow then stole a Ford V-8 Sedan at or near Texarkana, Texas, and after having it a short time burned this Ford Sedan and stole a Ford V-8 Coupe. Jones also stated that while Clyde Barrow was traveling through Waco, Texas, he stole a siren off an ambulance which he used on the stolen cars.

Jones stated that after they got to Oklahoma, Clyde Barrow abandoned the Ford V-8 and stole a V-8 Sedan which he also abandoned in Oklahoma where Clyde Barrow stole another V-8 Ford Sedan with leather upholstery and khaki top (sport Sedan with 6 wheels). Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and Jones traveled in this sport Sedan to Durham, N. C., where Clyde Barrow said he was going to see the Camel Cigarette Factory. In the mean time Clyde Barrow had bought a Brownie Camera for Bonnie Parker and just at the edge of North Carolina, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and himself took pictures. Jones identified a photograph of himself sitting at the wheel of this sport Sedan, smoking a cigarette. He also identified a photograph of himself standing with Clyde Barrow. In the latter photograph he stated that the suit he was wearing with the wide stripe, was stolen by Clyde Barrow and himself after they "stuck up" a tailor shop early in the morning at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and robbed the tailor of seven or eight suits of clothes. Clyde took a blue suit

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which he used himself and gave Jones the suit with the wide stripe throwing the other six suits away.

The negatives of the photographs in question, according to Jones, were left behind together with his striped suit at Joplin, Missouri, after Clyde Barrow, Buck Barrow (deceased) and himself got into a shooting match with the officers at Joplin.

Before going to Joplin, Missouri, Jones stated that Bonnie Parker, Clyde Barrow and himself came to Dallas, Texas, where they visited Mrs. Barrow, the mother of Clyde Barrow; that they also went to the home of Blanche Barrow, the wife of Buck Barrow, who resides near Wilma, Texas, and visited Buck Barrow, who had just been released from the Texas State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Texas, a few days before. (See report of Special Agent C. E. Winstead, Dallas, May 25, 1933).

Shortly before Buck Barrow got out of the penitentiary, Jones stated he with Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker visited Mrs. Artie Winkler, a sister of Clyde Barrow at Denison, Texas.

In the Ford V-8 Sport Model Sedan mentioned above, Jones, Bonnie & Barrow drove through Oklahoma to Shreveport, La. where they abandoned the car and stole a V-8 Coach. (Property Arkansas Natural Gas Company, Shreveport, motor 222-658, stolen March 29, 1933. See report L. A. Kindell, New Orleans, May 31, 1933). In this car they traveled to various places in Missouri, names unknown, and back to Oklahoma where they met Buck Barrow and his wife about 40 miles South of Muskogee on the main gravel highway in a tourist camp across from an old man's home. Jones stated he believed the place was Chicota, Oklahoma, and that Buck Barrow, Clyde Barrow and himself stopped at tourist camps near Muskogee, Okla., and South of that city.

Jones stated that after meeting Buck at Chicota, Oklahoma, they traveled to Joplin, Missouri, and enroute stuck up a filling station at the edge of Springfield, Missouri; that they stayed about three days on the Northside of Joplin in a tourist camp. In the party were Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, Buck Barrow, his wife Blanche Barrow and W. D. Jones.

Blanche Barrow and Bonnie Parker rented a house. Clyde and Buck Barrow went out into the country and prowled a house, stealing some bedding which they used in the rented house. Two or three nights after Buck Barrow, Clyde Barrow and W. D. Jones went out and got a V-8 Sedan just across the State line in Oklahoma from Joplin. At the same time they abandoned a Ford V-8 Sport Roadster at Joplin, Missouri. After Clyde and Buck Barrow killed two officers at Joplin, Missouri, Bonnie Parker, Blanche Barrow, Buck Barrow, Clyde Barrow and W. D. Jones left Joplin in a Ford V-8 Sedan and made a circle of the Western part of the

country to Indiana, stopping at a tourist camp on a big lake in Indiana. From there they went in the Ford V-8 Sedan to Louisiana. At Ruston, La. W. D. Jones stole a Chevrolet Coach, motor 3308830, (see report Special Agent L. A. Kindall, New Orleans, May 31, 1931).

Jones states that he deserted the Barrow boys and drove this Chevrolet Sedan to McGee, Arkansas where he abandoned the car and where by means of hitch-hiking and freights, came to his mother's home in Dallas, Texas, where he remained for about a week.

On June 8, 1933, W. D. Jones states that Clyde and Bonnie came to Dallas, Texas and located him and insisted that he go along with them to Vernon and Wallington, Texas, at which latter place he, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker kidnaped the Sheriff and Chief of Police, taking his Chevrolet Car and driving them to Sayre, Oklahoma, where they met Buck Barrow and his wife Blanche Barrow, who at the time were driving a V-8 Ford Coupe. After tying the sheriff and Chief of Police up at Sayre, Oklahoma, they all continued in the Ford V-8 Coupe to Kansas where the car was abandoned and Buck Barrow stole a two door Ford V-8 Sedan on June 14, 1933 at Hutchinson, Kansas. (See letter Dallas Division Office, dated June 27, 1933.)

From Hutchinson, Kansas, Jones stated they went to a tourist camp at Ft. Smith, Arkansas; that Buck Barrow had a wreck in the car and he and Buck Barrow engaged in a shooting affair at Alma, Arkansas, at which place Buck Barrow killed City Marshal Humphries. From there, Jones states they drove back to the tourist camp at Ft. Smith, Ark., and took a Chevrolet Car away from a woman and abandoned it at Ft. Smith.

Prior to this time Clyde Barrow had gone across the State Line to Oklahoma near Arkansas where he stole a Ford Roadster. In this Ford Roadster, Blanche Barrow, Buck Barrow, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and her sister Billie Parker with W. D. Jones, drove from Ft. Smith, Arkansas to Oklahoma where they abandoned the car and Buck Barrow stole another Ford V-8 Sedan, place unknown.

They then continued to a tourist camp near Enid, Oklahoma, where they remained for several days. Clyde Barrow and Buck Barrow robbed an Armory and came back with some guns, pistols and ammunition. Jones states that Billie Parker left the party and returned to her home at Dallas; that he, Buck Barrow, Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Blanche Barrow drove in a Ford V-8 Sedan to Platt, Missouri. After a gun battle at Platt, Missouri, they escaped in the same Ford V-8 Sedan and went to Dexter, Iowa, at which place Jones stole another Ford V-8 Sedan.

A gun battle took place in the woods near Dexter, Iowa, at which time Buck Barrow was seriously wounded and later died in the hospital. After deserting the two Ford V-8 Sedans, Clyde Barrow stole a Plymouth Sedan about a mile from where the gun battle took place. Blanche Barrow, the wife of Buck, was captured near Dexter, Iowa, by the officers. Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Jones went in the Plymouth Sedan to about 30 miles from Dexter where they abandoned the car and stole a 1929 model Chevrolet Coach which they drove to Broken Bow, Nebraska, at which place the car was abandoned. They then stole a 1932 model Ford V-8 Coach. (See report Special Agent Dwight Brantley, Kansas City, August 17, 1933). In this stolen car Jones states that he, Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow drove to Colorado and back to Kansas where they abandoned the car and then stole a 1933 Ford V-8 Coach. This car was abandoned, place unknown, after Clyde Barrow stole a Ford V-8, 1933 model, Coupe, in which they traveled to Illinois and through the State of Missouri, returning to a small town in Illinois where Clyde Barrow left Jones and Bonnie Parker parked in the car.

Clyde Barrow went away for a short time and returned to the car with three Browning Automatic Rifles and six 45-automatic Pistols. (See report of Special Agent W. C. Jamison, Chicago, 11-22-33). The robbery of the Armory took place, according to this report, on August 20-21, 1933.

After getting the guns and ammunition, Jones stated that they drove in the V-8 Ford Coupe to Dallas, Texas and enroute abandoned this car and stole a Ford V-8 Coach; that after reaching Dallas, Texas, Clyde Barrow visited his mother and then drove from Dallas to Mississippi. Jones states that he left Clyde and Bonnie Parker approximately 50 or 60 miles South of Clarkdale, Miss. Clyde sent him in a V-8 Coupe to get gas at a filling station in a bend in the road. In the car were three clips, an automatic, 45-pistol and one Browning Automatic Rifle. He got gas and then kept going to about three or four miles of Clarkdale, Miss., and turned left on a country lane, driving about a mile or mile and one half where he turned the car cross-wise on the lane, threw the rifle and clips over in a cotton field, abandoned the car and walked across the field until he reached the highway, proceeding North on foot the rest of the night, and the next morning caught a ride into Clarkdale, Miss. Jones states that he stole the Ford V-8 Coupe in a town located on a river some 20 miles South from Clarkdale; that the road into Clarkdale from that point is graveled most of the way with some few patches of pavement; that he spent the day and night in Clarkdale awaiting a freight train and by permission of a night watchman, slept at a refinery just at the edge of the town of Clarkdale; that by means of freight trains and getting rides on the highway he managed to get to Dallas about the 5th evening after leaving Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow.

Jones states that while he was with the Barrow Boys and Bonnie Parker they usually stopped at nights in tourist camps; that Clyde Barrow knew most of the tourist camps in the territory in which he traveled. Jones further states that the number of times he recalls that Clyde Barrow and Buck Barrow would stop at a tourist camp at Miami, Oklahoma; that as far as he can recall the camp is located on the South side of town, with eating stand and gas station, with two driveways on the South side of the filling station, and between the eating stand and gas pumps. Behind the filling station and eating stand there is one row of stucco cabins and another row of frame cabins running back from the road to form an L; that the frame cabins have garages attached but the stucco cabins do not have garages. These cabins are located a mile to a mile and a half South to the main part of town on Highway 88. The operator was an old man,

Clyde Barrow usually insists on stopping in tourist camps where there is a garage attached to the cabin. According to Jones, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker while he was with them, usually traveled from Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, and return to Texas; that most of the trips made by Clyde Barrow, as far as he could recall, were Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kansas, Eastern Texas and Dallas, Texas. On one or two trips Clyde Barrow made Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado and return to Texas; that Clyde Barrow was very fond of his mother and makes frequent trips to Dallas, Texas for the purpose of seeing her. According to Jones, contacts with Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker can only be made through Barrow's mother in West Dallas, and possibly Floyd Hamilton, a very close friend of Clyde Barrow; that when Clyde Barrow drives into the vicinity of his mother's place Bonnie Parker throws a bottle with a note in it from the car. This note tells his mother and relatives where Clyde can be reached at a certain place on the highway. On one occasion after a note was thrown from the car in a bottle, Floyd Hamilton drove a car in which there were Mrs. Barrow, Clyde's mother; Bonnie Parker's mother, Clyde's brother L. C. Barrow and Bonnie's sister Billie.

Jones further states that he doubts very much if Clyde Barrow will attempt to stop at tourist camps unless the weather is exceedingly cold; that invariably Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker slept in the car which they parked in the brush away from the highway.

E. J. DOWD,  
Special Agent.

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas**O. C. FILE NO. **24-3779**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Oklahoma City</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12/12/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/7-8/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. E. Hollis</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMBERLAIN BARROW with aliases, et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Ford Coupe, Motor No. B-5096241 recovered by Sheriff, Miami, Okla., at a point near Miami on 12/5/33. Investigation made at Camp Welcome a tourist camp 1½ miles South of Miami, Okla., however, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker were not found and no evidence secured that they had been there. Car recovered valued at \$300.

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REFERENCE: Telephone message from Dallas Office, 12/6/33, and report of C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, dated 11/27/33.

## DETAILS:

Sheriff Dee Watters, Miami, Oklahoma, advised that on December 5, 1933, two men who had been hunting in the vicinity of Miami reported to him that a Ford Coupe was hidden in the bushes approximately two miles Northwest of Miami. Investigation was made by Sheriff Dee Watters and Deputy Sheriff Gerald Hodge as a result of which Ford Coupe, Motor No. B-5096241 was recovered. The car was examined and Sheriff Watters found therein used bandages and pieces of cotton stained with blood and microchrome indicating that whoever had been in possession of the car had been injured. A necktie with blood on it was found in the car, also road maps of the States of Texas and Oklahoma.

The above described automobile was examined by this Agent and the motor number was found to be as stated herein. The car is a tan color and the left side window is broken out and there are several holes in the top of the car, which were apparently made by a charge of buckshot. The car is valued at \$300.00.

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On one of the Oklahoma roadmaps found in the car by Sheriff Dee Watters, Agent observed that a road between Fort Worth, Texas, and Bokoche, Oklahoma, was marked with a blue pencil and a ring was made with colored pencil around the name "Bokoche."

Agent learned that on December 5, 1933, a car had been stolen at Baxter Springs, Kansas. At Police Headquarters, Baxter Springs, Kansas, it was ascertained that a Ford V-8 Coupe, black color, equipped with nickel plated mud guards was stolen from in front of the Barnsdall Filling Station at 11:45 P. M., on December 5, 1933. There was no record of the motor or license number at the Police Station, as the owner, T. P. Shanahan, resides at Independence, Kansas, and his ownership papers were in the car at the time it was stolen.

Mr. E. A. Brugger, Barnsdall Filling Station, Baxter Springs, Kansas, advised that T. P. Shanahan, salesman, was entering the Barnsdall Station at 11:45 P. M., on December 5, 1933, when he turned and saw a man getting into his car. Mr. Shanahan ran to his car and endeavored to stop the man, but he was gone before Mr. Shanahan reached the car. A photograph of Clyde Barrow was exhibited to Mr. Brugger and he stated that in his opinion the man who had stolen the car of Mr. Shanahan resembles Clyde Barrow and is about the same build as Barrow.

As a result of investigation near Miami, Oklahoma, it was ascertained that the tourist camp at which Clyde Barrow is alleged to visited while near Miami is Camp Welcome. Sheriff Dee Watters and this Agent arranged for Bill McCullough, a filling station attendant near Camp Welcome, to contact Mr. John Foley, owner of Camp Welcome and endeavor to learn whether Barrow and Bonnie Parker were stopping there. McCullough has been known to Sheriff Watters for years and is entirely reliable. McCullough reported that he had been unable to secure any definite information from Foley.

Agent, accompanied by Sheriff Watters and his Deputy, made a search of all cabins at Camp Welcome but no evidence was found that Clyde Barrow or Bonnie Parker had been there. None of the cabins were occupied. Mr. and Mrs. John Foley who operate Camp Welcome, 1 1/2 miles south of Miami, examined photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker and stated they could not identify them. Mr. and Mrs. Foley were positive that Barrow and Bonnie Parker had not been at the camp within the past few days.

Sheriff Watters and Deputy Sheriff Gerald Hodge, after recovering the Ford Coupe, made inquiries in the vicinity where the car was found but no one was able to furnish any information as to who had been in possession of it. The Ford Coupe was abandoned on a side road and there are no houses nearby.

**UNDEVELOPED LEADS:**

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE AT INDEPENDENCE, KANSAS, will ascertain the motor number of the Ford Coupe belonging to T. P. Shanahan, stolen at Baxter Springs, as it is believed same is now being driven by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE AT BOKOSHE, OKLAHOMA, will make an investigation in an effort to locate Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS.**

FILE NO. **26-4399 A**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Birmingham, Alabama</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-12-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>11/4, 9 &amp; 12/5/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. H. Hanson</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases- FUGITIVE. I.O. 1211; et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Information obtained that Clyde Barrow with Bonnie Parker had been in the vicinity of Jasper, Alabama, about October 15, 1933, but investigation conducted there resulted in securing no definite information as to their having been in that vicinity or as to their present whereabouts.

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**DETAILS:**

**AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA:**

On November 4, 1933, Mr. Charles H. Guthrie, Parish, Alabama, was referred to the Birmingham Office by the United States Marshal's Office in Birmingham after he had gone to that office saying that he was in possession of information concerning the whereabouts of Clyde Barrow. Mr. Guthrie was interviewed in the Birmingham Office by Special Agent C. H. Lowdon, at which time he stated that he had noticed posted in the Birmingham Post Office the Identification Order on Clyde Barrow. At this time Mr. Guthrie stated that he is a distant relative of the Barrow family in Texas and claimed that he had seen Clyde Barrow in Dallas, Texas, in 1920 and that he had not seen him since that time, although about October 15, 1933, Clyde Barrow accompanied by a young woman and two young men had been in the vicinity of Jasper and Parish, Alabama, at which time they were endeavoring to locate him, Mr. Charles H. Guthrie. Guthrie added that Barrow, with his companions, had ~~visited~~ with his own children in Jasper having taken them to a theatre there, saying also that Barrow at that time was with Marshall Guthrie, who resides in the country outside of Jasper and who also is a distant relative of his, Charles H. Guthrie. He further mentioned that Barrow and his party had boarded a freight train travelling on the I.C. Railway at Jasper, the train being headed for Haleyville, Alabama, where Barrow stated that he was to visit a distant aunt of his whom he referred to as Aunt Maggie. Guthrie mentioned that this Aunt Maggie is a Miss Maggie Hurd, who had recently married, her last name being unknown to Guthrie. Guthrie stated that he

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had been told that at the time Barrow was in Jasper he was well dressed, wearing a pencil striped brown suit, and a brown hat; that the woman with him was young, rather pretty, small of stature, and well dressed; further, that she had brown bobbed hair. The two men accompanying Barrow were supposed to be about the age of Barrow and, also, were well dressed. He mentioned further that Barrow apparently had quite a bit of money and when his children saw the Barrow party hop a freight train in Jasper they had put on overalls over their good clothes.

Mr. Guthrie stated that he was of the opinion that Barrow perhaps was in the vicinity of Haleyville inasmuch as he had mentioned that he wanted to go hunting and Guthrie believed that Barrow would contact him in the near future. He also stated that he was going to mail Barrow a letter, care Maggie Hurd at Haleyville, asking Barrow to return to Parish, Alabama. Mr. Guthrie stated that he was anxious to cooperate in Barrow's apprehension and that he would notify the Birmingham Office immediately by telephone should he secure any information upon his return to Parish.

Mr. Guthrie stated while he is employed at the present time on a H.F.C. project in Parish he is by occupation a miner and that he lives across the street from the Stock Shoe Store in Parish. He also mentioned that other relatives of his in that vicinity are Henry Guthrie, residing in Parish, and Barry and Rufus Guthrie living in Cordova, Alabama.

#### AT PARISH, ALABAMA:

The following investigation was conducted by SAG W. A. Rorer and Special Agent J. H. Hanson.

Mr. Charles H. Guthrie stated that he had secured no information concerning Barrow's present whereabouts but that he had not written the letter that he had promised to write to Haleyville, Alabama. Mr. Guthrie at this time, also, stated that he had not as yet been able to secure any information from his own children as to Barrow inasmuch as he hesitated to talk about Barrow with them, saying that his children should they surmise that he was endeavoring to locate Barrow for law enforcement officials, would refuse to divulge any information. Mr. Guthrie at this time, also, mentioned that he had formerly been a deputy sheriff in Jefferson County and that he had done some investigating work and would not hesitate about accepting a position as a detective if one should be offered to him. At this time Guthrie claimed that his own wife and the mother of Clyde Barrow are cousins, Guthrie saying that the maiden name of Barrow's mother was Repele Beedie Owen.

Mr. Guthrie stated that the occasion on which he was in Texas in about 1930 was when he went there on a visit after his discharge from the United States military service. Guthrie said that he had been a member of the military service and had served on the Mexican border and

that he had gone back to Texas to renew acquaintances; that it was at this time that he last saw Clyde Barrow, saying that Clyde at that time was old enough to go out hunting. He also mentioned that there are in the Barrow family a son named Leon who Guthrie believed to be about 32 years of age, also two or three daughters and perhaps another son. His memory concerning the Barrow family was very vague, saying that he believed two of the girls in the Barrow family were older than the boys and were married; that one of the girls was younger than the boys and was not married; also that there possibly was one other son. He was unable to furnish the names of the members of the Barrow family other than Leon.

Mr. Guthrie, also, stated that he believed that Barrow with his party were visiting with one Marshall Guthrie who is a distant relative of his, whom he does not know but who resides in the vicinity of Nauvoo, Alabama, but who, he believed, received his mail on a rural route out of Jasper, Alabama. Mr. Guthrie, also, stated that it was his daughter, Mary Alvis who is 21 years of age and who is married but who lives with him, and Katie Guthrie, age 14, who had seen Barrow in Jasper. He cautioned Agents against interviewing these children, stating that it would arouse their suspicion and no information could be secured from them. He stated he would endeavor to ascertain if Barrow was still in that vicinity, saying he would advise the Birmingham Office. He also mentioned that the Maggie Hurd referred to above was formerly married to one Frank Hurd; that she separated from Frank Hurd when they lived at Haleyville, Alabama, and that she married a section man working for some railroad in Haleyville; further, that she resides west of the depot in Haleyville about 2 1/2 miles from town. He, also, stated that the manager of a planing mill located near the depot in Haleyville knows where this woman lives.

AT JASPER, ALABAMA:

Mr. H. F. Hambree, Assistant Postmaster, checked the records but was unable to ascertain that a Marshall Guthrie was receiving mail on any RFD route out of Jasper. Inquiry was also made of Sheriff A. M. Barrentine who stated that no one fitting the description of Clyde Barrow had come to his attention nor had such a group of people as described by Mr. Guthrie come to his attention. Mr. Barrentine stated that he would be on the alert for Barrow and should he secure any information as to his whereabouts he would immediately notify the Birmingham Office. He, also, stated that Marshall Guthrie was unknown to him.

AT NAUVOO, ALABAMA:

Mr. L. E. Tarwater, Chief of Police and Deputy Sheriff, and Mr. Lonzo Dodd, Postmaster, stated that no one named Marshall Guthrie was receiving mail on a R.F.D. route out of Nauvoo, Alabama, nor was anyone named Marshall Guthrie known to these gentlemen. Mr. Dodd, however, stated that

there is a J. M. Guthrie receiving mail at box VI R.F.D. #1, which place is located east of Liberty Grove Church near the farm of a Mrs. Leas located on the highway running from Jasper to Haleyville, Alabama. Neither Mr. Dodd nor Mr. Tarwater are acquainted with this Mr. Guthrie and Mr. Martin, the rural carrier serving this route, was not in Harvey at the time Agents were investigating there.

AT HALEYVILLE, ALABAMA:

Mr. G. Martin Jones, Chief of Police, when informed of the nature of Agents inquiry stated that no party fitting the description of Clyde Barrow and his companions had come to his attention as having been in Haleyville recently. When asked concerning Maggie Hurd he stated that he believed she is a local prostitute who has been consorting with criminals. Mr. Jones mentioned that he had not been a resident of Haleyville for more than a few months and that he is not very well acquainted with this woman except that he knows that she is supposed to have left the vicinity of Haleyville recently in company with a local man named Red Williams with whom she had become involved in trouble arising out of an adultery case. Jones said he believed that the Hurd woman with Williams had gone to St. Louis, Missouri. In an effort to establish if this Maggie Hurd was the woman referred to by Mr. Guthrie, Mr. Jones took agents to Mr. W. H. Simmons, section foreman for the Mo. Alabama Railway Company at Haleyville, who, according to Mr. Jones, is a very reliable man, and when interviewed Mr. Simmons stated that the Maggie Hurd referred to by Mr. Jones is undoubtedly the same woman referred to by Mr. Guthrie. Mr. Simmons stated that Maggie Hurd, maiden name Maggie Burnett, after she had separated from Frank Hurd married a man named Whitley from whom she also separated; that at the time she was married to Whitley she apparently was engaging in prostitution. Mr. Simmons also mentioned that this woman had recently become involved in trouble with Red Williams, but that while she had left Haleyville he understood that she had recently returned to that place.

Neither Mr. Jones nor Mr. Simmons knew of a Marshall Guthrie residing between Haleyville and Jasper, Alabama. However, Chief of Police Jones stated that he would endeavor to locate the present abode of Maggie Hurd and that he would conduct an appropriate investigation to determine if any strangers fitting the description of Clyde Barrow and his party were staying with her at the present time, saying that he would immediately notify the Birmingham Office by telephone should he secure any such information.

It was the intention of the Birmingham Office to await further advice from Chief of Police Jones at Haleyville as well as from Mr. Charles H. Guthrie, Parish, Alabama, before conducting further investigation in this case at those places, however, in view of the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, November 27, 1933, indicating

Barrow and Bonnie Parker have been in the vicinity of Dallas, Texas, within the past few months and further since it appears that the information furnished by Mr. Guthrie is somewhat unreliable no further investigation will be conducted by the Birmingham Office in this connection at the present time.

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December the 18th, 1933

Sheriff,  
Sebastian County,  
Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Relative to bank robbery occurring at Midland,  
in your county, December the 18th: We have information  
from one of Clyde Barrow's confederates, W. L. Jones, that  
Barrow traded rifles with a man twenty-five or thirty miles  
below Fort Smith, Arkansas. This gun was later found, after  
one of their battles, in Missouri. The man's name was on  
his hunting license in the stock of the gun. I understand  
that the Missouri officers questioned him.

I am passing this information on to you inasmuch  
as this man's description, from correspondence and phone  
calls that I have had, agrees with your report. I believe  
it would be well to find out from the Missouri officers, if  
you do not know, who that man was and check him. This is all  
that I am able to give you at this time.

If at any time we can be of assistance to you,  
kindly call upon us.

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Very truly yours,

S. A. SCHEIDT, SHERIFF

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CENTER, TEXAS

12/14/22

Sheriff Schmitt  
Dallas Texas.

Dear Sir:

The much sought for  
Barrow is said to have been  
here, visiting his Cousin  
Mrs Walter Williams a  
Rt. & Carrier who is  
his Cousin. His presence  
has been noticed more  
than once since being hunted  
Our Sheriff name is Jess  
Samuel.

Yours Truly  
M. L. Davis

Box 74 #



420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

December 22, 1933.

Mr. Jess Sample,  
Sheriff,  
Center, Texas.

Re: CLYDE C. BARROW, et al;  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sheriff Sample:

Sheriff H. A. Schmid of Dallas County, Texas, advised this office he received information from one M. L. Davis, Box 74, Centre, Texas, that Clyde Barrow has been at Center on several occasions when he visited his cousin Walter Williams, a rural mail carrier.

It is suggested that you might investigate the matter in a discreet manner with a view of apprehending Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. A photograph of them is enclosed herewith.

For your information Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker generally travel in a Ford V-8 Car and are at all times heavily armed with a sawed-off shot gun, 45-calibre pistols and two Browning Automatic Rifles.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas.**

**St. Paul** FILE NO. **26-2803**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>St. Paul, Minn.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-21-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12-18-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>E. C. Coulter</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARNOW, with aliases, I. O. 1211, et al.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>MIKE HOLM, Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, has possession of certificate of title No. 1181941 issued to ED WILLIAMS, Ardmore, Oklahoma, June 2, 1933, for Ford Sedan, motor No. 40-310,946, and is the proper person to subpoena duces tecum.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>R.U.C.</b></p> <p>REFERENCE: <b>Report of Special Agent J. Massey Edgar, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 12-6-33.</b></p> <p>DETAILS: <b>At Minneapolis, Minnesota.</b></p> <p><b>MR. G. S. PEICK, Claims Department, Retail Hardware Mutual Fire Insurance Company, 2344 Minnolist Avenue South, was contacted and upon examining his records, he stated they received a report on July 10, 1933, regarding the theft of Ford Sedan, motor No. 40-310,946, from ED WILLIAMS at Ardmore, Oklahoma; and on October 4, 1933, the company paid to ED WILLIAMS and the interested investment company of Ardmore, Oklahoma, a total of \$708 by their check No. 3236 for the loss of the automobile in question. He stated that on or about September 28, 1933, the Oklahoma certificate of title No. 1181941 covering ownership of the car in question was submitted by him to the Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, in order to secure license for the car which was thereafter sold to MR. WALTER H. HOLER, care of the W. H. Barber Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota.</b></p>			
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The certificate of title No. 1181341 issued to ED WILLIAMS, Ardmore, Oklahoma, covering the ownership of four-door Ford Sedan, 1933 model, motor No. 40-310,948, is in the possession of MIKE HOLM, Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, filed under the motor number of the car mentioned above; and MIKE HOLM is the proper person to subpoena duces tecum in the event it is desired to produce the certificate of title in question at the trial.

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**26-411-144**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12-23-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/1-22/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>R. J. DOWD</b>
TITLE: <b>CHUCKLE; CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, alias CLYDE BARROW, alias ELVIN WILLIAMS, alias ALVIN WILLIAMS, alias JACK BAIN, alias ROY BAIN, - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1811; MRS. ROY BARLOW, nee DORRIS PARKER, alias MRS. CLYDE BARROW; SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM DANIEL JONES.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>William Daniel Jones arrested at Houston, Texas and brought back to Dallas, Texas by Sheriff's Office. In signed statements made to Winter King, District Attorney, Dallas County, Texas and in subsequent interviews at the Dallas Division Office, Jones outlines as far as he can recall, his activities with Clyde Barrow, Melvin (Buck) Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Blanche Barrow in connection with territory visited by them, thefts of automobiles, persons murdered, armories robbed, holdups, etc. It has been definitely established that Jones is "Jack Sherman", previously referred to in reports and he thus eliminates entirely Hubert Hleigh who has been suspected of being associated with the Clyde Barrow gang by reason of identification of photographs found at Joplin, Missouri which in reality are those of William Daniel Jones, the photographs in question having been taken at or near North Carolina.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>P.</b></p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b> Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, dated Dallas, Texas 11-27-33.</p>			
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DETAILS:

The writer interviewed Winter King, Assistant District Attorney, Dallas County at Dallas, Texas, and pursuant to subsequent arrangements made by Special Agent in Charge Blake with Assistant District Attorney King, the latter turned over to the Dallas Division Office for copying, three original statements made by William Daniel Jones, an associate of Clyde Barrow's and through a confidential informant of Deputy Sheriff Bob Alcorn's, Dallas, Texas, who evidently is in close touch with Clyde Barrow's mother and relatives at Dallas, Texas, authentic information was furnished concerning a number of Clyde Barrow's movements particularly his visits to Dallas, Texas, and associations with William Daniel Jones who had been referred to in previous reports as "Jack Sherman" and at one time identified as Robert Bleigh.

William Daniel Jones was brought to the Dallas Division Office on two occasions and interviewed by Special Agents E. J. Dowd and C. B. Winstead. He is an illiterate boy 17 years of age who claims he can neither read nor write, having discontinued school in the first year. He comes from a poor family. In 1931, Jones at the age of 15, with L. C. Barrow, a brother of Clyde Barrow's, was convicted at Dallas, Texas for a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. Jones has been more or less closely associated with the Barrow Brothers, being a neighbor of theirs. It was about Christmas, 1932 that Jones joined Clyde and Buck Barrow, and he has been engaged with them on their criminal activities until shortly before or after Labor Day, September 2, 1933, when he claims he deserted Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker near Clarkdale, Mississippi and returned to his home in Dallas, Texas, since which time he claims he has not seen Clyde nor Bonnie Parker nor been in direct or indirect communication with them inasmuch as he fears for his life should Clyde Barrow locate him. He states that for this reason he left Dallas, Texas shortly after his return and went to picking cotton in other parts of the State of Texas, until finally taken into custody at Houston, Texas recently and brought back to Dallas, where he is now confined in the Dallas County Jail awaiting trial on a murder charge.

Copies of the signed statements made by Jones to Assistant District Attorney, Dallas County, will be found attached to copies of this report for the Division at Washington, D. C., and other interested Division Offices.

While Jones will not admit that he has been known as one "Jack Sherman" referred to in previous reports as a confederate of Clyde and Buck Barrow, Jones does identify photographs of himself taken with Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. After the gun battle at Joplin, Missouri, when two officers were killed and negative films or photographs left behind in the house where Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker, Buck Barrow (deceased) and his wife Blanche Barrow and another man heretofore identified as Robert Bleigh, Jones does not hesitate to state that it is his photograph and not that of Robert Bleigh; that the photographs in question were taken by himself, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker with a Brownie Camera purchased by Clyde Barrow for Bonnie

Parker, while they were visiting Durham, North Carolina; that the striped suit worn by him (Jones) in the photographs, was stolen by Clyde, Bonnie and himself with seven or eight other suits from a Tailor Shop at Fort Smith, Arkansas; that at the time he made his escape from the Officers at Joplin, Missouri, this same striped suit was left by him in the house.

In his interview with Special Agents E. J. Dowd and C. B. Winstead at the Dallas Division Office, Jones endeavored to recall some of the places visited and automobiles stolen by him, Buck Barrow (deceased), Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. In this connection, by reference to reports in the file of this case, he was able to clear up some of the thefts of interstate cars. He stated that after abandoning a Ford V-8 Sport Model Sedan at Shreveport, Louisiana which car had previously been stolen some place in Oklahoma, he and Clyde stole a V-8 Coach. Report of Special Agent L. A. Kindell, New Orleans, May 31, 1933, discloses that this was a Ford V-8 Coach, motor number 222-223, stolen at Shreveport, Louisiana on March 26, 1933, property of the Arkansas Natural Gas Company. Jones stated that Clyde, Bonnie and he (Jones) drove this car to Choctaw, Oklahoma, where they met Buck Barrow and his wife Blanche Barrow at a tourist camp across from the Old Soldiers' Home; that the five of them continued to Springfield, Missouri where they held up a filling station and proceeded to Joplin, Missouri. After killing two officers at Joplin, they drove to Louisiana where Jones stole a Chevrolet Coach at Ruston. This car is covered in the report of Special Agent L. A. Kindell, New Orleans, Louisiana, May 31, 1933. According to Jones, he deserted the Barrow boys and drove this car to McGehee, Arkansas, where he abandoned it and returned to Dallas; that on June 8, 1933, Clyde and Bonnie picked him up at Dallas; that they continued to Wellington, Texas, kidnapped two Officers, driving them in the Sheriff's car to Bayre, Oklahoma where they met Buck Barrow and his wife, and after tying the Officers to a tree abandoned the car, and went to Hutchinson, Kansas in a Ford Coupe, which had been stolen by Buck; that they abandoned this car at Hutchinson, Kansas and Buck stole a two-door V-8 Sedan at Hutchinson. They then drove to a tourist camp near Fort Smith, Arkansas; that while at Alma, Arkansas, Buck Barrow in company with Jones killed City Marshal Humphries. After stealing another car they went to a tourist camp at Enid, Oklahoma, where they remained for several days, during which time Buck and Clyde Barrow robbed an Armory of guns, pistols, and ammunition; that they drove to Platte, Missouri in a Ford Sedan V-8 model and after a gun battle there escaped in the car to Dexter, Iowa. Jones further states that a gun battle took place at Dexter, Iowa, at which time Blanche Barrow was captured and Buck Barrow fatally wounded. Full details of the gun battles above mentioned will be found in report of Special Agent Dwight Brantley, Kansas City, August 7, 1933. Jones stated that he, (Jones), Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, after leaving Dexter, Iowa, drove to Colorado and came back to small towns in Missouri and Illinois; that while at a small town in Illinois, Clyde Barrow robbed an Armory and returned with three automatic rifles and six 45 caliber pistols. Details of the robbery of this Armory which took place August 20, 21, 1933, will be found in the report of Special Agent W. C. Jamison, Chicago, 11-22-33. Jones stated that after stealing other cars, he and Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker continued to Dallas, where Clyde visited his mother, and they then drove to Mississippi; that about 30 miles South

of Clarksdale, Mississippi Jones stole a V-8 1933 Ford Coupe; that he abandoned this car a short distance from Clarksdale, Mississippi. Jones stated that in the car at the time were three loaded clips, a 45 caliber automatic pistol, and a Browning automatic rifle. Jones then hitch-hiked to Dallas.

According to Jones, he does not believe that Clyde and Bonnie Parker will stop at tourist camps unless the weather gets real cold; that they will sleep in the car after concealing it away from the highway. Jones states that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker invariably go on trips through Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Illinois, Eastern Texas; that Clyde does not usually visit the same tourist camps, although he appears to know quite a number of them and generally stops at tourist camps with garages attached so that he can conceal the stolen car.

Jones could furnish no definite information with a view of locating Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker except to say that Clyde is very fond of his mother and makes quite a number of trips to West Dallas to see her. In this connection, Jones states that Clyde will drive past his father's filling station and throw out a bottle with a note in it from the car. This note tells his relatives where to meet him at a certain time. On one occasion, Jones states, after the note was received, Floyd Hamilton, a close friend of Clyde's, drove a car to the meeting place. In the car were Clyde's mother, Bonnie Parker's mother and sister Millie, and Clyde's brother L. C. Barrow. Other times the same persons would meet Clyde in a car driven by L. C. Barrow.

The Police Department and the Sheriff's Office at Dallas, Texas are already aware of the manner in which Clyde Barrow communicates with his mother and meets relatives. Through means of a confidential informant of the Sheriff's Office it is hoped that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker will sooner or later be captured while communicating and interviewing his relatives. On November 22, 1933, a trap was set by Sheriff M. A. Schmid, Dallas, Texas to capture Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker when they attempted to interview their relatives on the highway near Grand Prairie, Texas, but due to open country and difficulty in concealing Officers, Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker came to the meeting place and managed to escape the gunfire of the Sheriff's force and after holding up an Attorney and his friend on the highway and taking their car, Clyde and Bonnie drove to Miami, Oklahoma where the car was found abandoned. Investigation was made by the Oklahoma City Office, as reflected by report of Special Agent M. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, December 12, 1933.

Description of William Daniel Jones as furnished by Doug Walsh, in charge of the Bureau of Identification of the Dallas Police Department, and as ascertained by personal observation on the part of Special Agents Dowd and Winstead of the Dallas Division Office is as follows:

Name William Daniel Jones  
 Age 17 Years  
 Height 5' 7½"  
 Weight 120  
 Hair Chestnut  
 Eyes Gray  
 Build Medium  
 Nationality American  
 Occupation None  
 Marital Status Single  
 Eye Glasses None  
 Residence 410 Henry Street, Dallas, Texas.  
 Fingerprints and photograph taken at Dallas Police Department  
 1/17/11 and forwarded to Division.

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SCARS:

Scars on body of W. D. Jones:

Found bullet wound 3 inches below R. shoulder in side  
 ranged toward back and came out 1 inch to right of backbone  
 about center of small of back.

Received at Joplin, Mo.; Dexter, Iowa:

Bullet wound scar about 3 inches above right nipple  
 and 1½ inches to right of breast bone. Buckshot under skin  
 about 1½ inches above and left of right nipple. Buckshot  
 under skin in right little-finger between first and second  
 joints. Scar across second joint of right ring-finger. Scar  
 near end of right middle-finger left side. Cash scar inside  
 of right thumb from end downward. All of right hand wounds  
 from being shot near Dexter, Iowa. 1 small round wound on  
 left lower leg back above ankle. 1 small cut scar at heel of  
 left palm outer. 1 buckshot under skin inside left lower lip.  
 Small cut scar left cheek above corner of mouth. 1 small scar  
 from shattered or spent bullet in left eyelid.

Burn scar on back of upper right leg center 6 inches  
 long by 2 inches wide at widest part, received in auto wreck  
 near Wellington, Texas.



No leads are being set out at this time by the Dallas Division Office, copies of this report being sent to the interested Offices for their information only.

The Dallas Office is continuing further investigation in this District with a view to locating Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas**O. C. FILE NO. **26-3773**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Oklahoma City</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>12/23/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/14-15/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. E. Hollis</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with aliases, et al FUGITIVE - I. O. #1211</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Information received from Mrs. Hattie Crawford, Miami, Oklahoma that she administered medical aid to a man answering the description of Clyde Champion Barrow at Vinita, Okla., on night of 12/6/33 and that Bonnie Parker, with whom Mrs. Crawford, is acquainted, was with the injured man. Investigation at Vinita, Oklahoma at home of Mrs. Jans Bell resulted in finding bloody handages. However, Clyde Champion Barrow and Bonnie Parker not located there.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 12/18/33, and wire from Dallas Office dated 12/16/33.

**DETAILS:**

Sheriff Dee Watters, Miami, Oklahoma, notified Agent at Tulsa, Oklahoma by telephone on the night of December 14, 1933 that he had information regarding Barrow and Bonnie Parker which might result in their apprehension.

**DETAILS:**

Agent met Sheriff Watters at Vinita, Oklahoma, and he was accompanied by Mrs. Hattie Crawford. Sheriff Watters stated that Mrs. Crawford had come to him on the night of December 14, 1933 and advised that she had treated a man in a house at Vinita, Oklahoma on December 6, 1933, who was suffering from gunshot wounds or cuts and that this man was in company with Bonnie Parker, whom Mrs. Crawford knew.

Mrs. Hattie Crawford, Miami, Oklahoma, was interviewed at the Sheriff's

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Office, Vinita, Oklahoma. She advised that she is a nurse and that on the afternoon of December 6, 1933, about 8:00 P. M., she came out of her apartment in Miami and was approached by a man who asked her where he could find the nurse who lived in the apartment building where Mrs. Crawford lives. Mrs. Crawford advised that unidentified man that she was the nurse and he then asked her whether she would go on a call and she agreed to go. The man instructed her to get on a bus and proceed to Afton, Oklahoma. She stated she left on the next bus which was around 8:00 P. M., and upon her arrival at Afton, she was met by the man who previously talked with her at Miami, and another man unknown to her. The men were driving a sedan automobile, possibly a Ford or Chevrolet. They drove her to Vinita, Oklahoma, and upon arrival there, proceeded to a house on the outskirts of the city and were admitted to the house by a woman whom Mrs. Crawford identified as Bonnie Parker. Mrs. Crawford explained that about eight years ago, Bonnie and her mother lived in Miami, Oklahoma and she was well acquainted with them. After being admitted to the house, Mrs. Crawford was taken to a bedroom where a man lay in bed. She was given an alcohol solution and some bandage made from a bed sheet. Mrs. Crawford states that the man had a gunshot or cut wound on the left leg and a similar wound on his left arm and she dressed these wounds. Immediately thereafter she was taken back to Miami, Oklahoma, by the same two men who had brought her to Vinita. These two men did not advise Mrs. Crawford their names and the only description she could give was that they were young men possibly between 25 and 30 years of age and of medium build. The men asked her if she could return the following night and she stated she could. They paid her \$5.00 for her trouble and warned her against informing anyone concerning the matter. She stated that it was her intention to immediately notify the officers, but she felt that she was being watched, but finally on December 14, 1933, she got up enough courage to notify the Sheriff at Miami, Oklahoma. Mrs. Crawford described the house where she had gone in Vinita, also furnishing a description of the furniture in the house. Mrs. Crawford was unable to identify the photograph of Barrow, but stated his description fitted the description of the man she treated. She did identify the photograph of Bonnie Parker. At no time did Mrs. Crawford have a good opportunity to closely observe the parties in the house for the reason that they had her work with the aid of a flashlight.

Sheriff John York, Vinita, Oklahoma, was present during the interview with Mrs. Crawford and after she described the house and the furniture in this house, he stated that it was undoubtedly the home of Mrs. Jane Hall of Vinita. Sheriff York stated that Mrs. Hall had not lived in the house for several years with the exception of a few months and at the present time, she is visiting or living on a ranch in Texas. Bob Hill of Vinita, Oklahoma, is custodian of the property.

Bob Hill, Vinita, Oklahoma, was interviewed and he stated that if anyone was occupying the Hall home, it was without his knowledge or consent. He agreed to permit an examination of the house.

Accompanied by Sheriff John York, Vinita, Oklahoma, and Sheriff Dee Watters, Miami, Oklahoma, and their deputies, Agent made investigation at the home of Mrs. Jane Hall, Vinita, Oklahoma, at daylight on December 18, 1933, but found the place was unoccupied. With the consent and in the presence of Mr. Bob Hill, a general search of the house was made and in the cabinet in the bathroom, a bandage which appeared to have been used on the leg of some person was found together with some rags which were blood stained. An undershirt with blood on it was also found. There were no laundry marks on any of the articles found.

After the above investigation was made, Mrs. Crawford was taken to the Hall home and she positively identified the place as being the same place where she had treated the man on the night of December 6, 1933.

An arrangement was made with Sheriff York whereby the Hall home is to be kept under surveillance.

Mrs. Hattie Crawford, Miami, Oklahoma, will notify Sheriff Dee Watters at Miami of any additional information received by her.

On December 18, 1933, a wire was received from the Dallas Office advising that Sheriff York of Vinita, Oklahoma, had information concerning Barrow. The Sheriff was communicated with, but he had no further information than above related.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

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<p>REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.</p>	<p>DATE WHEN MADE: 1-3-34</p>	<p>PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-3-34</p>	<p>REPORT MADE BY: F. J. BLAKE.</p>
<p>TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases; et al FUGITIVE - I.O. #1211.</p>			<p>CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</p>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Ford Coupe, motor 40-306520, stolen at Baxter Springs on December 5, 1933, abandoned at Gilmer, Texas, January 2, 1934. Car presumably occupied at time of abandonment by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker. Barrow and Parker women reported to have a hide-out in Louisiana.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p><b>REFERENCE:</b></p> <p>Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 12-12-33.</p> <p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>The Ford Coupe stolen at Baxter Springs on December 5, 1933, property of T. P. Shanahan of Independence, Kansas, was abandoned by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker near Gilmer, Texas, on January 2, 1934, at which time they escaped from the officers in another Ford V-8 Coupe. The abandoned car when recovered had bulletprobes therein as well as a number of marked maps. This information was obtained through the National Auto Theft Bureau from Deputy Sheriff Ratcliff at Gilmer.</p> <p>Sheriff Smoot Schmid of Dallas County, advised the Dallas Division Office of a hide-out of Barrow and Parker near Bell Chaney Springs, a summer resort in Louisiana. In addition to the information transmitted to the New Orleans Office by letter, dated December 30, 1933, Sheriff Schmid further advises that the coupe in which Barrow and Bonnie Parker are traveling has Arkansas licenses and is painted a dark green; that they are accompanied by a man, identity unknown, but presumed to be Buster Parker; that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker purchased chickens from a Mr. &amp; Mrs. Green, who live two miles from Bell Chaney Springs, and that David Wolfe, a very reliable farmer owning property at Coco Drive Bridge, five miles from Bell Chaney Springs, has information concern- ing Barrow and Parker.</p>			
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Sheriff Schmid says that Buster Parker is presumed to be at Glade-water, Texas, where he is employed by one Rusty Cook, a plumber and pipe fitter, Cook being a brother-in-law of Buster Parker, and Buster being a brother of Bonnie Parker. It is the belief of the Sheriff of Dallas County, and in this connection it is well known to the Dallas Office that the Sheriff has had a very reliable informant closely allied with Clyde Barrow, that Clyde and Bonnie will return to Bell Chaney Springs, Louisiana, within the next week or ten days.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will make such investigation as is suggested at Bell Chaney Springs, and vicinity.

PENDING.

420 Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

December 30, 1933

Special Agent in Charge  
Division of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
326 1/2 Post Office Building  
New Orleans, La.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1211, et al.

Dear Sir:

Sheriff E. A. Schmid, Dallas, Texas, has just furnished the Dallas Division office the following information:

That one Jess Robinson at Stewart's Saw Mill, located at Bell-Cheney Springs, located some seven and one-half miles from Long Bridge, Louisiana, has knowledge of the fact that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, together with her brother Buster Parker, (only available description of Buster is Age 25 years, Height 5' 8", Weight 155 pounds, Hair brown) were recently occupying a house at Bell Cheney, a summer resort consisting of 12 or 13 cabins; and, that Jess Robinson is reliable and will cooperate in this matter.

Sheriff Schmid further advised that Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Buster Parker were at Bell Cheney Springs from Thursday, December 21st, until about 6:00 o'clock, Sunday A.M., December 24th, 1933, when they left presumably in some kind of a V-8 Ford car and said they were going to Tyler, Texas, but no trace of them has been found at Tyler. Sheriff Schmid has information that Barrow, Bonnie Parker and Buster Parker will return to Bell Cheney Springs, La., within the next 3 days.

Schmid is getting information from some one closely connected with either the Barrows or Parkers.

For the information of the New Orleans Division office, there is furnished herewith a photograph of Clyde Barrow and of Bonnie Parker standing together behind an automobile, also three Dallas P.D. photographs of Clyde Barrow, which were taken several years ago.

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Also copies of the following reports:

1. By Special Agent C. E. Winstead, dated Dallas 11-27-33;
2. By Special Agent E. J. Dowd, dated Dallas, 12-23-33;
3. By Special Agent E. E. Hollis, dated Oklahoma City, 12-12-33;
4. By Special Agent E. E. Hollis dated Oklahoma City, 12-22-33.

It will be noted in report number 3, Clyde Barrow probably stole V-8 Ford Coupe on December 8, 1933, at Baxter Springs, Kansas. So far as the file discloses this car has not been recovered. It will be noted in report number 4 that Clyde probably has a wound in his left leg and also one in his left arm.

It is requested that the New Orleans Division office in the manner which appears most appropriate contact Jess Robinson at Cheney Springs for detailed information in this matter, and if considered proper so to do, arrange with the Sheriff at Marksville, Louisiana to assist in bringing about the apprehension of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, and any other persons in their company.

Extreme caution should be exercised as it is doubtful if Barrow will ever surrender, and when called upon to do so both he and Bonnie Parker will begin shooting.

Bonnie Parker is described as:

Age	About 21 years
Height	5' 5" or 5' 6"
Weight	About 100 pounds
Hair	Brown bobbed (probably dyed)
Build	Slender
Markings	
Bullet wounds:	Left foot near little toe, bullet wound. Bad burn scars on right leg.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Division  
Oklahoma City  
26-4114- 146

Dallas, Texas,  
January 3, 1934.

MEMORANDUM

Mr. C.B. Winstead,  
c/o Blackstone Hotel,  
Tyler, Texas.

RE: Clyde Barrow; etal.  
KMYCA

I am informed by Mr. Gornaley of the Natl. Automobile Theft Bureau at Dallas, that Deputy Sheriff Hackley of Gilmer, Texas has reported to him the finding of Ford coupe, motor #40-306820, which was stolen at Baxter Springs, Kansas on 12/5/33 by Clyde Barrow, and which was the property of T.P. Shanahan of Independence, Kansas, abandoned near Gilmer on 1/2/34.

That in the car were some medical bandages and probes, and a number of marked maps. As soon as possible will you not contact Deputy Sheriff Hackley and endeavor to secure possession of the marked maps; and obtain such information as is available.

In connection with this matter: I am advised by Sheriff Emmet Schmid at Dallas, that Buster Parker is supposed to be working at Gladewater, Texas for one "Rusty" Cook, a plumber and pipe fitter; that Cook is a brother-in-law of Buster Parker - who is a brother of Bonnie Parker; and this may be the connection Clyde has in and around Gladewater.

F.J. Blake,  
SAC.

FJB:LMF  
cc 26-4114-147

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PLEASE AUTHORIZE PATROLMAN MARVIN GORDON TRAVEL WITH AGENT THIS  
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F. J. BLAKE  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

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FJB:IMT 4:15 PM

26-4114-149

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

Clyde 1/4/34

Memo:

26-4114-150
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JAN 5 1934
DALLAS OFFICE
FILE

For Mr. Blake

Enclosed is a ~~bandoleer~~ found in Ford Coupe stolen Barker Springs and recovered at Gilmer, also a safety pin which I believe is used on Army Cartridge bandoliers. I have the rear view mirror from the car will box it up properly for shipment tomorrow and mail it to you. There are some good prints on it. I will try to box it so well that you may send it right in to the Division.

They are not Clyde's <sup>unpacked left hand middle finger</sup> prints, but of course may be Bonnier or Buster's.

The coupe was abandoned 10 or 12 miles N. of Gilmer and on a side road about 3 miles from the paved Highway which leads from Gilmer to Fort. Pleasant about 3 or 4 o'clock P.M. Jan. 2<sup>d</sup>. It was pushed in there by another

Car. A Black 1933 Ford V-8 Two door Sedan, looked new - with Louisiana License plates on it.

In the Coupe were a man and woman, and in the Sedan also were a man and woman.

The men had on grey hats creased in center. The women wore a green jacket and had on a hat. The other woman had on a knitted cap or kamoochanter. The four left in the Sedan and headed south toward Gilmer.

In the Ford Coupe I found 1920 Kans. Lic. plates 5-9706, and on the Ford Coupe Car were 1933 Louisiana plates 136-460 X.

The plates were put on the Car with bolts with wing nuts.

The car has a radio in it and evidently they had tried to take it out, but were in too big a hurry as they only took the top plate off.

It looked as though a heater or radio speaker had been taken off of the car from the dash on the Right side.

The two N. I. Highway Patrol men from Mt. Pleasant were in Galena today. They have not heard of any V-8 trucks stolen since Saturday in their District. None has been stolen in the oil field so far as I have been able to learn.

Gormley may have a report on one from this vicinity by now.

Locals where Buster Parker and Ada Cook were living Dec. 3<sup>d</sup> as they were arrested by the Gladewater Police Dec. 3<sup>d</sup> for Disturbing the Peace. R. Cook works at some refinery and was arrested in April 1932 for vag. laid out fine in Longview Jail.

Didn't get this information until late after 9 o'clock p.m. went out and looked over the place. Will go back

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tomorrow & no doubt Clyde and Bonnie  
connect here. It's a safe place &  
I hope

C. Br.

P/D also two enclosing maps  
found in car, marked from  
Sabinal north to Bandera Co.  
Line then E & west from about  
Rio Arriba to about Darby. The  
words written below that  
are "Christmas Time & The  
Map has been wet since  
Raley got it."

C. Br.



P.O. Box 1818,  
Dallas, Texas.

March 6, 1933.

Postmaster,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: CLYDE BARROW, et al,  
Natl. Motor Veh. Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish this office tracings of mail addressed to Mrs. Gumie Barrow who resides on Eagle Ford Road, Route #6, Dallas, and to Mrs. Fred Mace, Billie Parker, and others at 1818 South Lamar Street, Dallas.

This address may be 1818 South Lamar, but Mrs. Parker is the mother and Mrs. Mace is the sister of one Bonnie Parker, who is with Clyde Barrow, and the carrier will likely know which house these people occupy.

Very truly yours,

F. J. FLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

CHF:LM  
~~26-4114-14~~  
cc-Bureau-

26-4114-14

420 Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

January 8, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
388 Post Office Bldg.,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,  
with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1211; et al.  
W.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

Investigation at Gilmer, Texas - where the Ford coupe stolen by Clyde Barrow at Baxter Springs, Kansas was abandoned - develops that Barrow and Bonnie Parker, accompanied by another man and woman, left the point where the Ford coupe was abandoned 18 miles North of Gilmer on a side road about 3 miles from the paved highway running from Gilmer to Mt. Pleasant, Texas (which car was abandoned about 3 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon of 1/2/34) in a black 1933 V-8 Tudor Ford sedan, which appeared to be new and on which were Louisiana license plates, numbers unknown.

Very meager descriptions are available of any of the persons abandoning this car, but both men were wearing gray hats dressed in the center, and one woman wore a green jacket and a hat while the other woman had on a knitted cap.

After abandoning the Ford coupe they headed South toward Gilmer. The abandoned Ford coupe at the time it was found was carrying 1933 Louisiana license plates #134-460. We have received no reports and can obtain no information relative to the theft in the vicinity in which the coupe was found of a Tudor Ford sedan, and it is not improbable that this car was stolen in Louisiana, probably in the vicinity of Bell Cheney Springs.

This information is being furnished you in order that it may be available for your use in the investigation you are making at Bell Cheney Springs.

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New Orleans.

I trust you will give this matter immediate and thorough attention as I am disposed to believe that the information received by the Sheriff of Dallas County to the effect that Barrow and the Barker women would return to the vicinity of Bell Cheney Springs is correct.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:DMT

cc Division

Oklahoma City

Kansas City

25-4114-

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Tyler, Texas  
1/3/34.

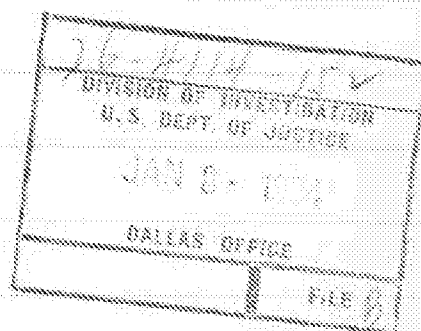
Memo. Re: Clyde Barron, Aug. I.O. —

76/2141

State Highway Patrolman, Marvin Gordon, Tyler, Texas, stated that Clyde Barron has a sister, name not known, who is a waitress in the Oil King Cafe at Overton, Texas, that she formerly worked in Arpa, Texas.

The Oil King Cafe is operated by a man called "Blackie".

C.B.W. instead  
Special Agent



## CITY OF MARSHALL

H. J. GRAESER, City Manager  
W. T. CAVEN, City Attorney  
NEWMAN WELLS, City Secretary

MARSHALL, TEXAS January 5, 1934.

Mr. P. J. Blake,  
Special Agt. in Charge,  
Bureau of Investigation,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Winstead has addressed this department relative to a 1923 V-8 Ford Coach, 1923 Texas License E92-748 - motor 407471, stolen in this city about 2:45 P. M. January 1st.

This car was stolen from the driveway at the home of the owner, Mr. Tom Leach. Mrs. Leach had just gotten out of the car after driving in, and gone into the house. The key was left in a small compartment in the instrument board, and immediately after she entered her house she heard the motor start. Mrs. Leach and her son ran to the front porch in time to see a man back the car out of the drive, and head North for the next paved street, about fifty feet away. They yelled to the man to stop, but he only smiled, and turned the corner at a high rate of speed, and proceeded west on Barlesson St., which street runs very nearly to the western edge of the City.

The man in the car had on a suede jacket, brown felt hat, and appeared to weigh about 150 or 160 pounds, and appeared to be about 5-7 tall. The car had about one and one half gallons of gas in the tank at the time it was stolen. The Leaches say they had never seen the thief before, but can identify him. From what they have to say it fits Clyde in a great many ways. He was a good driver, never changing gears when taking a sharp corner at high speed. The car was painted a very dark grey, and had been run between six and seven thousand miles. Mr. Tom Leach resides at 2303 North Columbia St.

We trust the above information will be of some value to Mr. Winstead and aid in his investigation.

With best wishes, we remain,

Very truly yours,

Chief of Police

26-4114-153

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JAN 6 1934
Very truly yours, <i>E. M. Glick</i> Chief of Police

Tyler, Texas  
Jan 6, 1936

Memo. -

Re: Clyde Barrow

26/4114

In M.D. Jones' statement to Agent Dowd and this Agent, he stated that some few days after he went with Clyde and Bonnie the first time they came to East Texas and stopped one night in a tourist camp where the garages are under the cabins. The only such camp known to me in East Texas is the Granlone at the north edge of Jacksonville where the paved highway from Pothers intersects the paved highway from Tyler to Jacksonville.

A sketch of the registration card of that Tourist Camp placed in the following:

Card No. 7205

Mrs. & Mrs. Abe Nelson & Brother

Shreveport, La.

Date 1/10/33

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
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Card No. 2257

"J. D. Parker & wife"  
Gladewater, Tex.

Datto Lielmas - 22817

1 pt 23 "

Dec 2/12/32

(Time 4:00 A.M. "

Mrs. Geo. H. Goben, owner of the Grand Tourist Hotel stated that both of these parties came in after midnight as Mrs. Strom registered them.

C. J. Whitley, the negro porter, roomed them or at least showed them their cabins. He was unable to recall the parties, but stated he had been at work only a few days on Jan 14, 1933, and believes the people who occupied No. 5 on that occasion told him he need not assist in transferring their baggage from the car.

Attention is called to the spelling of Shreveport, on Card 2206.



Serial No. 27617 is believed to have  
been issued in Butts County ~~Georgia~~  
~~Georgia~~

C.B. Minstert  
Special Agent

The Original Cards above referred to  
are placed in the Dallas file.

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Dallas, Texas**

**O.C. FILE NO. 26-3779**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Oklahoma City</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1/8/34</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>12/24/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. Massey Edgar</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1811, et al</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act</b>

**SYNOPSIS of FACTS:** Bokeshe is a very small town, and inquiry from a mass of citizens failed to divulge any information that Barrow has been seen there.

**P.**

**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent H. E. Hollis,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 12/12/33.

**DETAILS:**

At least 15 citizens in and around the town of Bokeshe, Oklahoma, were interviewed and shown the picture of Barrow, and none were able to say that they had seen any one in or around the town at any time that would meet the description or similarity of the Subject.

Bokeshe is a town having a population of approximately 700.

**DETAILS**

**PENDING**

APPROVED AND  
FORWARDED:

SPECIAL AGENT  
IN CHARGE

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Dykes, Texas.  
1/5/34

Memorandum Re: Clyde Champion Barnes  
Sug. (I.O.# \_\_\_\_\_)  
26/4/34

26-4114-156	
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE	
JAN 8 - 1934	
DALLAS OFFICE	FILE 13

We looked over the home of Mrs. Cook today. It is a tent house (1 room) situated in a plot of ground off of the Gilmer-Bladewater road back of the Cameron Lumber Co's place of business, within the City Limits of Bladewater.

They are well known to the Police at Bladewater. On Dec. 3, 1933, Buster and his wife's mother (Ada Cook) got drunk and began fighting, so Buster's wife (Edith) called Policeman Carroll. When he got there Edith was sitting on Buster, and was holding her mother down with her legs. Buster and Ada were locked up.

Buster Cook got them out on bond & Rusty works at an oil refinery. Buster is unemployed.

Carroll brought Edith to the Station and we talked with her. She is against officers

generally, and Leonard Pack and Bert Whisman in particular. She said she introduced Bonnie to Clyde, that she has never seen her but once since she and Clyde went away together, and that was one night in Aug. 1935 when Bonnie came to her mother's home in Dallas in a dress coat and spent the night, and that she has not seen Clyde since he and Bonnie first went off together. She said Clyde and Bonnie do not know where she and Buster live now, and that Buster is so against Clyde and Bonnie's visit of living that they would not come around Buster, that she has no way of learning of their movements, and if she did she would not tell.

Buster was brought in to the Station and questioned as to his feeling toward Clyde. He stated he knows that Clyde is going to get Bonnie back that he would rather know she is in a penitentiary than with Clyde, and promised that if ever he could learn of Clyde's whereabouts, while separated from Bonnie, he will give that information to Carroll and Bean.

The information that Rusty Cook's wife is Bonnie's sister is erroneous.

Ada Cook is Rusty's wife - she formerly was a Mrs. Dick Clay.

Dick Clay lives on a farm about 10 miles from Cherokee, Okla.

Edith Clay is Mrs. Cook's daughter.

Boater Parker is Edith Clay's husband.

Edith says Bonnie was 23 years of age Oct. 1, 1933, and that Clyde Barrow is 34 years of age.

She stated that before taking up with Bonnie - Clyde lived with a girl from Wichita Falls, by the name of Grace; that Grace was larger than Bonnie and about 2 or 3 years older than Clyde & she doesn't know Grace's last name, but believes she left Clyde and returned to her husband.

She stated that Frank Chambers who was arrested with Clyde in Dallas a number of times, but settled down and the last time she saw him, he was working for the Dallas Cattle

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Q.

She also stated that Bonnie's husband is Roy Thornton, who is serving 60 years in Huntsville.

That Billie Parker is 21 years of age and is the wife of Fred Moore, that Billie had 2 children, that both died within 4 months of each other.

She stated Leonard Pack used to come to Mrs. Parker's every day and interview them, and at various other times other Police and Deputy Sheriffs interviewed her. He was last interviewed by Shepard and Bill Stecker.

Quater, whose name is Herbert Parker, also stated he was interviewed by Dallas officers nearly every time he went to town. They come to Edith's mother at Gladwell about 2 or 3 months ago.

Edith says her mother, husband and step father stay drunk so much Clyde and Bonnie would not dare to come there for fear they would get drunk and do too much talking.

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Doug Hages, Sheriff's office Longview  
notified me today by phone, that on ~~the~~  
Jan. 4, 1934, a 1932 Ford V-8 Sedan, (2 door)  
was stolen at Marshall, Texas. It's  
car bore 1933 Tex. License plates 592748  
Motor No. 407471.

I am writing Ezell to furnish you  
full particulars in connection with  
that theft - Color of car etc.

In connection with the Pear  
view Mirror, bearing latent prints,  
which I mailed you this a.m.

I am enclosing Herbert Hubert (Buster)  
Parker's prints.

If my November Expense Check has  
not arrived please you please drop the  
Director a line for me.

I'll be in Overton tomorrow, but  
back here tomorrow night and over Sunday.

Yours  
O'Brien

Longview, Tex.  
1/9/34

Memo. Re: Clyde Barrow, Fug.  
Stat. 76/4114

76-4114-159	
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE	
JAN - 9 1934	
DALLAS OFFICE	FILE

Police Officer, H. M. Carroll, of Longview, Texas, stated that Jack Hamilton, City Foreman, lives across the road from the Rusty Cook - Buster Parks, tent, and said that about 3 nights before we were out to see Buster a dark V-8 car, drove up to that tent and a small woman got out, and a medium size man also got out, that the woman went in the tent and stayed for about 10 minutes, but the man would go from the car to the tent and back again. That Hamilton will keep as close a watch as possible on the Cook and Parks at night, and his wife is watching during the day, and will advise the police.

At Longview, I checked the theft reports and besides the car which was stolen at Marshall, 1/1/32, which was a gray in color, I found one 1923 Ford V-8 dark coach (Black) reported stolen 12/16/32



at Minden, La. - Motor 315427 - 1933 La. Lic.  
28-1454

Joe Bramona, State Ranger, now stationed  
at Bogalusa, a good boy - informed me this p.m.  
that during the National Guard Incampment at  
Polkville last summer Clyde and Bonnie were  
for 2 nights at a Miss Bledsoe's apartment in  
Houston at 419 Woodlake Ave.; that a Mrs. Erma  
Knight, res. 908 Bartlett St. Houston owns the  
place. She made Miss Bledsoe move ~~for~~ 419 Woodlake  
to a garage apartment at 908 Bartlett, but Miss  
Bledsoe has since moved from that address, that  
Miss Bledsoe works for a Dr. Thomas Grundlick,  
Medical Data Bldg., Phone Searles 2727.

He says Mrs. Knight doesn't know Clyde  
Bonnie, but will assist in any way she can;  
that Miss Bledsoe is reported to be selling  
narcotics; that his informant is a woman of  
the underworld, and doesn't know Clyde but  
has acquaintances who do know him. It sounds  
rather far fetched, but maybe a good idea to  
try and find out something about Miss Bledsoe.  
Continued

420 Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

January 10, 1934.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,  
with aliases - FUGITIVE,  
I.O. #1211; et al.  
H.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting to the Division under separate cover a rear-view mirror taken from Ford coupe, motor #40-306320, stolen at Baxter Springs, Kansas on 12/5/23 and abandoned near Gilmer, Texas 1/2/24 - presumably by Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

There are some latent fingerprints on this mirror and we are desirous of having those prints identified if possible. We have no fingerprints of Bonnie Parker, and aside from Barrow, the only other suspects whose prints might be on the mirror are CLARENCE STEVENS, I.O. #1212, and HUBERT PARKER, alias "HUYER" PARKER, a brother of Bonnie Parker - whose prints are herewith enclosed.

It is not improbable that at a later date we may be able to furnish the Division prints of other suspects.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LMF

26-4114-158

Dallas, Texas,  
Jan. 10, 1934.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. WINSTEAD;

*Angelina Hotel,  
Lupinus Def.*

Re: CLYDE BARROW, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

When you are at Kilgore, Texas, please make an earnest effort to enlist the active cooperation of Chief of Police Bob Goss in the apprehension of Barrow. I feel rather confident that Barrow occasionally goes to Kilgore, and it would appear that with the active cooperation of Chief Goss, through his sources of information, that success will achieve his efforts.

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:IM  
EC-4124

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Clyde Barrow

F. J. B.

1-12-34

On 1/10/34 Mr. Lewis M. Fields, employee of the Home Lumber Co., 3115 Langrouse Ave, Telephone # 5-6552, residence address 1213 Mc Cullough, Dallas, said that frequently he is accompanied to town in the mornings as he comes to work, by one N. B. (~~James~~) Roach who lives in a "lean to" shack below the <sup>Fields</sup> ~~Mc Cullough~~ home on Mc Cullough and that Roach has talked about the Barrow gang.

Fields says that Billie Parker, sister of Bonnie, spent several nights at a place on Mc Cullough about the time Clyde Barrow was shot at by members of the Sheriff's office of Dallas. Fields is unable to say whether she spent this time with Roach or with a party, whose name he does not know, next to Roach's shack. Fields says that frequently cars pass his house at night and go to the neighborhood of Roach's place but remain only a short time. He has

occasionally noticed that two cars, apparently accompanying one another, pass there.

He says Roach is a Relief Worker. Fields also said that Roach had told him that Jack Shaddon, - an ex-convict and friend of Buck and Clyde Barrow, owns a cabin in Lakeshore Acres (off the Duncanville Road) and that this place may be a hideout for Clyde.

Mr. Fields also said that he had been told by an employee of the Lumber Company who he said would not knowingly assist in this matter, that Clyde had a brother-in-law named Leon Hale (last name unknown) who operates a bakery in Oak Cliff and at whose place Clyde stops. Fields says that the informant told him that the bakery is in a brick building. That Leon married a sister of Clyde but is now separated from her.

Luffkin, Tex.  
1/11/34

Memo:

Re: Clyde Barrow, et al.  
26/4112

26-4114-161	
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE	
JAN 13 1934	
DALLAS OFFICE	FILE

Det. Hilgare today I received a card on the following card:

1933 - VE Ford Cabach - Motor Co. 448387 -

Blue Body - Cream wheels - Radio -

Tax. Lic. 788-091 - stolen Paris

Dec. Jan. 6/34 - (Not Auto Theft)

Barrow - File 72673)

Bob Goss and Bill Mc Murray say that Clyde has a sister all right working at the Cafe in Oerton, but they both dislike the Sheriff at Henderson and say they have no intention of any attempt to get anything done in that County. Bob says Clyde attended a dance at Oerton one night. Bill Mc Murray says Blackie who operates the Restaurant, might assist if properly approached, but not to go see him in company with any of the Buck Co. officers.

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NIGHT LETTER	NIGHT AND CABLE LETTER
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COLLECT

DALLAS TEXAS JANUARY 16 1934

DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON D C

RAYMOND HAMILTON SERVING MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED YEARS IN EASTHAM STATE FARM  
AT WELDON TEXAS WAS RESCUED THIS MORNING BY PERSON BELIEVED TO BE CLYDE BARRON  
NOTORIOUS BANDIT INFORMATION SO FAR RECEIVED RATHER MEAGER BUT IT IS DEFINITELY  
ESTABLISHED THAT HAMILTON WAS RESCUED

HLAKE

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FJB:DMT 9:40 AM

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# WESTERN UNION

R. B. WHITE  
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DALLAS TEXAS JANUARY 16 1934

R WHITLEY  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
325 1/2 POST OFFICE BUILDING  
NEW ORLEANS LOUISIANA

RAYMOND HAMILTON SERVING MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED YEARS IN EASTMAN STATE PRISON AT  
WILSON TEXAS WAS RESCUED THIS MORNING BY PERSON BELIEVED TO BE CLYDE BARROW  
FOUR OTHER DEBATES ESCAPED AT SAME TIME APPARENTLY TWO GUARDS FOURRED  
INFORMATION BARROW AND HAMILTON HEADED TOWARD LOUISIANA NOTIFY ALL OFFICERS  
WESTERN LOUISIANA <sup>SCCP</sup> GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO BELL CHANEY SPRINGS VICINITY

BLAKE

Official Bus.  
Gov. Rate  
CHG: Division Investigation  
LMT 10:50 AM

*Barrow*  
26-4114-163

WESTERN UNION MESSENGERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE DELIVERY OF NOTES AND PACKAGES.



CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	FOREIGN
TELEGRAM	FULL RATE CABLE
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Mackay

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COLLECT

DALLAS TEXAS JANUARY 16 1934

DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON D C

RELATIVE CLYDE BARROW ETAL. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOUR OTHERS ESCAPED SAME TIME

APPARENTLY TWO GUARDS WOUNDED BARROW AND HAMILTON HEADED TOWARD LOUISIANA

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE REQUESTED TO COVER

BLAKE

Official Bus.  
Gov. Rate  
COLLECT  
EMT 10:33 AM

26-4114- 164

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	FOREIGN
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Deposits

Members of the Local Sheriff's Office were out this a.m. on the road between Lee and Huntville - England says about 9<sup>30</sup> or 10 o'clock a Ford V-8 Coupe passed coming toward Patent, that his partner said there were 2 women & a man in the front seat; that he tried to get the license but the car was going too fast; that there was a man in the jump seat with a brown jacket or coat; that they had been informed the escapees were in a Ford Sedan, and wouldn't have noticed the coupe, except it was going so fast.

Lee Simmons told me tonight that he is satisfied they are all still right in their country in the woods; that Obys & al have been playing night in south of Lee and maybe a little East. He didn't give any more exact location, but that could be from Grapeland on to Lufkin and Nacogdoches.

I called Carl Butler at Nacogdoches again tonight. He says he believes it will be impossible for them to get into Nacogdoches without him.

Knowing about it.

We tried all afternoon and tonight to get in touch with Jim Haylett at Crockett. We were informed he is in Livingston, but Co. Atty. Greenwood came in tonight from Livingston and said Haylett is in Houston.

I will pass down that way in the morning.

If I get anything will let you know. May go on into Huntsville if necessary.

Spr.

Chas.

DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
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FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS.**

FILE NO. **26-3186 DWM/SW**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>1-15-34.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>1/4 thru 9/34.</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>D. W. MACK</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases; et al; FUGITIVE - I. O. #1211.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Investigation at Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana, and vicinity, from January 4, to 9, 1934, inclusive, did not disclose that subject Clyde Champion Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and her brother, Buster Parker, had frequented the abandoned summer resort which consists of a caretaker's house, one shack, and one livable house. Jeff Carpenter, former convicted bootlegger, is the caretaker at this resort, formerly used as a hide-out by a fugitive in a New Orleans National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case. Informant mentioned in Dallas reference report and letter not known to lifetime residents near Bell Cheney Springs. Subject Barrow definitely identified as individual, accompanied by woman with blonde hair, traveling in V-8 Ford Coupe, bearing 1933 Louisiana license 136-460, that held up S. A. Ward, Supervisor of A. & P. Stores, at Shreveport, Louisiana, on December 21, 1933. These license plates stolen four days prior from automobile of Mary Alice Hardin, at Shreveport, Louisiana. Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foote, Cheneyville, Louisiana, and Deputy Sheriff Mark Burleigh, of Lone Prairie, Louisiana, will maintain watch on Bell Cheney Springs and advise the New Orleans Division Office when presence of any strangers is noted at Bell Cheney Springs. Investigation being continued by the New Orleans Division Office.

**DETAILS:**

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**REFERENCE:**

Dallas Division letters of December 30, 1933, and January 6, 1934. Report of S.A.C. F. J. Blake, Dallas, Texas, 1-3-34.

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APPROVED AND FORWARDED:	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <b>26-4114-169</b>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; margin: 2px;"> DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE JAN 17 1934 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL </div> </div>	RECORDED AND INDEXED
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For the information of the Dallas Division Office, Bell Cheney Springs is an abandoned summer resort, owned by Attorney John Lewis, Opelousas, Louisiana, and is situated in a clearing in the pine woods about twenty-six miles from Cheneyville, Louisiana, and about five miles from Turkey Creek, Louisiana. Bell Cheney Springs consists of one house, operated by the caretaker, Jeff Carpenter, his wife and children, one old shack, and one livable house with a garage, and is not a frequented summer resort consisting of twelve or fifteen cabins as Sheriff Schmid, of Dallas, Texas, has been advised through his informant.

Bell Cheney Springs, however, was used as a hide-out by Earnest J. Dees, a former fugitive in a New Orleans National Motor Vehicle Theft Act case, New Orleans File 26-3079. Reports of Special Agent James O. Peyronnin, New Orleans, Louisiana, dated March 31, 1933, in the Earnest J. Dees file, indicates a raid on Bell Cheney Springs by Agent Peyronnin, accompanied by a Deputy Sheriff, and it is a known fact to officers of that vicinity that Jeff Carpenter, the caretaker, knowingly permits fugitives to use Bell Cheney Springs as a hide-out.

The individuals mentioned in the reference report and letters as possible informants residing near Bell Cheney Springs who were in a position to advise concerning subjects Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and Buster Parker, are not known to have ever resided at or in the vicinity of Bell Cheney Springs.

Agent, accompanied by Dewey Foote, Deputy Sheriff, Cheneyville, Louisiana, on three successive days, conducted investigation on this case and reconnoitered through the piney woods back of the livable house at Bell Cheney Springs, and was unable to find any evidence of the presence there of anyone other than Jeff Carpenter and his family. There was no evidence of any automobile tracks following the heavy rain traversing the road into Bell Cheney Springs.

With respect to the informants mentioned in reference report and letters as furnished to the Dallas Division Office by Sheriff Schmid, who had secured the information through an undisclosed informant, agent conducted a thorough investigation in the vicinity of Bell Cheney Springs, and in this connection interviewed Deputy Sheriff Mark Burlaigh, of Lone Prairie, Louisiana, which is near Turkey Creek, Louisiana, and near Bell Cheney Springs. Mr. Burlaigh is a lifetime resident of this vicinity and has never heard of David Wolfe, or of Jesse Robinson, or of a Green family, and advised that to his knowledge they have never resided in that vicinity. There is no Stewart Saw Mill in that vicinity, according to Deputy Sheriff Burlaigh.

Agent made undisclosed identity inquiry at the Turkey Creek Post Office, and interviewed the Postmistress, who likewise had never heard of these parties. She stated, however, that Louis Wolfe, Allan Wolfe, and Willis Wolfe, resided at Chilot, Louisiana, but that none of these men were farmers, or owned



property at Cocodrie Bridge or vicinity. She stated that Cleve Green resided near Meridian, Louisiana, on Louisiana Highway #26.

Mrs. Cleve Green was interviewed, in the absence of her husband at their abode in a shack two miles from Clearwater, Louisiana, and she had no knowledge of the instant case. Neither she nor her husband raise chickens, and she had no knowledge of affairs at Bell Cheney Springs.

A. E. Johnson, a lifelong homesteader at Clearwater, Louisiana, near Cocodrie Bridge, Louisiana, was interviewed by agent and advised that he had never heard of a David Wolfe, and that he did not own property in that vicinity.

Mrs. McKee, who resides on Louisiana Highway #26, near Clearwater, Louisiana, and near Cocodrie Bridge, on property of the Texas Pacific Oil Company, was interviewed by agent and she had never heard of David Wolfe, Jess Robinson, or a Green family living in that vicinity.

Agent interviewed a Mrs. Walter Russell, formerly Ethel Wolfe, residing about two miles from Turkey Creek, Louisiana, on an undisclosed identity inquiry, and she stated that she had never heard of a David Wolfe in that vicinity, and neither did she know a Jess Robinson or a Green family residing near Turkey Creek or Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana.

Dallas Division letter of December 30, 1933, states that Jess Robinson, at Stewart's Saw Mill, located at Bell Cheney Springs, seven and one-half miles from Long Bridge, Louisiana, has knowledge of the fact that Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker, together with her brother, Buster Parker, were recently occupying a house at Bell Cheney, and that Jess Robinson is reliable and will co-operate in this matter. In an endeavor to locate Jess Robinson and Stewart's Saw Mill, agent conducted investigation at Long Bridge, Louisiana, which is almost forty-eight miles from Bell Cheney Springs, and ascertained that Jess Robinson was unknown in that vicinity and that there is no Stewart Saw Mill in that locality.

In an effort to locate Stewart's Saw Mill, agent interviewed Hardy Clark, who operates a saw mill between Meridian, Louisiana, and Turkey Creek, Louisiana, on Louisiana Highway #26. Jess Robinson was unknown to him but he advised that twenty years ago a Stewart Saw Mill was located at Lone Prairie, Louisiana, about twenty miles distant.

B. F. O'Quin, Postmaster, Lone Pine, Louisiana, was interviewed by agent, and Jess Robinson was unknown to him. He stated that Stewart's Saw Mill has been abandoned and not operated during the last fifteen or twenty years. Lone Pine, Louisiana, is twenty or twenty-five miles from Bell Cheney Springs.

Agent visited Currie's Saw Mill at Hobbs, Louisiana, about fifteen miles from Bell Cheney Springs, and Jess Robinson and Stewart's Saw Mill were unknown to Mr. Currie.

Deputy Sheriff Foote, of Cheneyville, Louisiana, has resided in that vicinity all of his life, and has never heard of the informants mentioned by Sheriff Schmid, of Dallas, Texas. Following the thorough investigation in this connection by agent and Deputy Sheriff Foote, it is apparent that the possible informants have never resided in that vicinity. In view of this fact, and in the absence of evidence that subject Barrow, Bonnie Parker, and her brother, Buster Parker, were at Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana, no raid was made on the place at this time.

During the course of the investigation at Bell Cheney Springs, agent was accompanied by Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foote, of Cheneyville, Louisiana. A diagram of Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana, its location, and method of approach, was made by agent and will be placed in the New Orleans Division file. Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foote and Deputy Sheriff Mark Burleigh are capable and courageous officers, and are anxious to assist in the apprehension of subject Clyde Barrow. Agent enlisted their services to continue the investigation at Bell Cheney Springs and they will advise the New Orleans Division Office if individuals put in their appearance at Bell Cheney Springs. In this connection, Mark Burleigh is going to contact a grocer at Turkey Creek, Louisiana, by the name of Chappelle, who is expected to contact an Earnest Clark, who resides near Bell Cheney Springs. Both Foote and Burley were of the opinion that Earnest Clark, if interviewed by officers would relay the information to Jeff Carpenter, on whom no reliance could be placed. Deputy Sheriff Mark Burleigh and Deputy Sheriff Dewey Foote have no knowledge of the theft of a Ford V-8 car in that vicinity.

Even though the possible informants mentioned in Sheriff Schmid's communication to the Dallas Division Office are not known to reside near Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana, the investigation is being continued relative to the possibility of subject Barrow and his accomplices' using Bell Cheney Springs as a hide-out, and the Dallas Division Office is being requested to communicate with Sheriff Schmid so that he may confront his informants with the facts disclosed by this investigation for further information. There are no tourist camps at Cheneyville, Louisiana, Turkey Creek, Louisiana, or other towns in that vicinity.

Special Agent James O. Peyronnin, of the New Orleans Division Office, conducted an investigation at Shreveport, Louisiana, and subsequent facts reported in this report are facts developed by Agent Peyronnin:

Mr. Frank A. Ward, Supervisor of the A. & P. Stores, Shreveport, Louisiana, residence address, 112 East Harrison Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana, was interviewed, and he stated that on December 21, 1933, at about 10:00 a. m., he was held up while on the Mansfield Road, just off of 70th Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana, by a man of the following description:

Age, between 25 and 30 years; height, about 5 ft. 7 in.; slender build; medium weight; dressed fairly well; wore dark blue suit and dark felt hat; the lower lip of the man protruded somewhat. He kept his hat on, and was lightly pulled down at the front. Mr. Ward stated that the man who held him up did not stutter, as the Police report shows, but that the man had a slight impediment in his speech. Mr. Ward stated that the woman companion of the hi-jacker did not come out of the car, and that he only saw the upper portion of her face and head through the rear window of the car; that she covered a portion of her face with a cloth and that he noticed she had blonde hair. He stated that the robber while on the Mansfield, Louisiana Road, and just off of 70th Street, as explained, driving a V-8 Ford Coupe, drove in front of his car and forced him to the side of the road; that the man rushed out of this car with a shot gun, (not a pistol or revolver), and ordered him to throw up his hands.

Mr. Ward remarked that his company, the A. & P. Stores, Inc., carry their own insurance, and unless authorized to do so, employees are prohibited from furnishing information as to the amount of money stolen. This information was also furnished agent by the Police Department, as it was noted that the amount of money taken was not shown on the Police report. However, Mr. Ward stated that as he was not permitted to move out of his car by the robber and was facing the rear of the V-8 Ford Coupe belonging to this highwayman, he made a record of the license number which was the number furnished by him to the Police.

Agent Peyronnin exhibited the photograph of Clyde Barrow to Mr. Ward, and after a careful examination of same he stated that the side view resembles the man that held him up. He stated that he did not get a good enough look at the front view of the man to state whether or not the front view of the person on this photograph is that of the man who held him up. Mr. Ward remarked that he was anxious to assist all possible in the apprehension and identification of the man who held him up, but that he would not swear or make a definite statement that the photograph shows him was that of the person who held him up. He stated, however, that if confronted with the man who held him up he would have no difficulty in identifying him.

Miss Mary Alice Hardin, 323 Columbia Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, on being interviewed by Agent Peyronnin, stated that on or about December 16, 1933, while her Ford car was parked at Crockett and Edwards Streets, Shreveport, Louisiana, she noticed that the rear license plate was missing and that later in the day, while her car was parked on the side of the Giffens-Lane Building, Shreveport, Louisiana, she discovered that the front plate was also missing. However, Miss Hardin, who is a second cousin of Assistant United States Attorney J. Fair Hardin, Shreveport, Louisiana, stated that she does not know who stole her license plates, and that she does not know how long the plates had been stolen before she discovered that they were missing. Subject Barrow's photograph was exhibited to Miss Hardin and she was unable to identify same.

The Police records, Shreveport, Louisiana, for December 31, 1933, contain the following report:

"B. A. Ward, Supervisor, A. & P. Stores, reports that this morning about 10:30 a. m. he was high-jacked by a white man and woman as he drove his car off the Cedar Grove Road on to the Mansfield Road. Description of car used by high-jackers - V-8 Ford Coupe, black body and wheels, Louisiana License 136-460. Description of man: age, about 22-25, dark eyes, dark clothes, dark felt hat; height, 5-8; stutters when talking; also jerks his head and blinks eyes. Description of woman: Blonde hair. Thinks gun used was a sub-machine gun. License book shows license issued to Miss Mary Alice Hardin, who reported same as being stolen off her car some few days ago."

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On the night of January 12, 1934, Agent Peyronnin exhibited a large photograph of subjects Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker to Mr. Frank A. Ward, 112 East Herndon Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, and he stated that he is so positive that this photograph is that of the person who held him up that he is willing to take an oath to that effect. Mr. Ward remarked as follows:

"I am positive that this fellow, whose picture you show me, is that man that held me up. There is no mistake about it. About the woman I cannot identify her for the reason, as previously stated, that I only saw a portion of her head, and at the time she was in a car and I only saw that portion of the woman through the back window of her car."

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DALLAS OFFICE: Is requested to communicate with Sheriff Schmid, of Dallas, Texas, and have him reinterview his informant with respect to the identity and location of Jess Robinson, the Green family, and David Wolfe, who have never resided in or near Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana.

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: Will maintain frequent contact with Deputy Sheriffs Dewey Foote, at Cheneyville, Louisiana, and Mark Durlough, at Lone Prairie, Louisiana, and will arrange for a raid on Bell Cheney Springs, Louisiana, in event subject Barrow and accomplices put in their appearance there.

Will exhibit photographs of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker to the Managers of Tourists Camps at Shreveport, and Alexandria, Louisiana, in an effort to ascertain whether they have frequented those cities, and will make arrangements with Police Officers to effect their apprehension.

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Dallas, Texas

Jan 17, 1934

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Memo:

Re: Clyde Barrow

67-6/4114

Had another talk with Bob Green today - He says he hasn't one bit of information regarding Clyde Barrow, that if he gets any line on him he will get in touch with the Dallas Office, as he knows through the Division the information will be checked.

- At Operator -

The information obtained at Dyer, which seemed to be prevalent among East Texas officers that Clyde Barrow has a sister working in a restaurant at Canton, Texas, apparently originated through Homer Healey, former Deputy Sheriff of Rock County, Iowa Special Ranger, guarding for the Canton Refinery.

Walker Green, Canton, Texas, formerly a Deputy Sheriff in Rock County, who lives at Canton, stated that he has been told by a number of persons working with the same.

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that Juanita Barrett is Clyde's sister.

I visited a Tourist Camp where Juanita Barrett lives alone except for a 6 or 7 year old daughter. The physician stated she came from Oklahoma, that her husband can't do see her just before Texas, but she refused to see him; that she never has visitors.

Upon being interviewed this woman stated her name is Mrs. Nettie Barrett, that her maiden name was Simpson, that her parents are dead, that she lived in Dallas about 3 months in 1930 or 1931; that her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Simpson and her father's brother, Jim Simpson live on East Main St. Wrentham, Okla., and that she came from Wrentham, Okla.

Nothing has shown up around the cash sent at Glacowater. Rusty and a woman tried to put on a party on Saturday night, but were arrested by the Police before they got



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J B FRENCH ONE OF THE CONVICTS ESCAPING KATHAM FARM YESTERDAY WAS RECAPTURED THIS MORNING ABOUT FOUR MILES FROM THE FARM APPARENTLY HE DID NOT JOIN THOSE ESCAPING IN THE AUTOMOBILE AND WAS NOT A MEMBER OF THE BAND MAKING THE ORIGINAL BREAK NO RELIABLE INFORMATION RECEIVED CONCERNING THE REMAINING ESCAPES AM COOPERATING FULLY WITH OTHER OFFICIALS

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 3-6-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 2/19, 27/33	REPORT MADE BY: C. B. WINSTAD.
TITLE (PLEASE PRINT): CLYDE BARROW; MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW; L. C. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON; BONNIE PARKER; alias MRS. CLYDE BARROW.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Title formerly was Raymond Roberts. L. C. Barrow obtained medicine bottle from Mrs. Jim Muckelroy when with Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Barrow, their mother & sister on a visit to Muckelroy Farm in August, 1932. Clyde Barrow wanted for murder, kidnapping and robbery.

**REFERENCES:**

Report of Special Agent F. W. Allen, St. Louis, Missouri, dated 1-27-33.

**DETAILS:**

AT MACOGDOCHES, TEXAS.

Chief of Police Drewry, Macogdoches, stated that he received a letter from the Police Department, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, last Fall about the prescription, and turned it over to Police Officer Bob Burk for investigation, and Burk saw Mrs. Muckelroy; that he looked up the prescription at Stripling-Hazelwood & Company Drug Store and found that the number furnished by Pawhuska Police was issued in July, 1932, to Mrs. Jim Muckelroy and written by Dr. Clarence Smith.

Bob Burk, Police Officer, Macogdoches, Texas, stated that he talked with Mrs. Jim Muckelroy of Martinville, Texas, and she was unable to account for the disappearance of her medicine bottle; that she stated she had no relatives in Illinois; that there are several families in that vicinity who visit in her home, but none of whom were missing from that community; that Mrs. Muckelroy is about 60 or 65 years of age, and has two sons one in Macogdoches at that time attending school, and the other a school teacher and neither of them has been away from home.

Dr. Clarence Smith stated that he talked with Mrs. Muckelroy

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and she was unable to account for the presence of her prescription bottle in the car found in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Jim Muckelroy, Martinsville, Texas, stated that his wife after thinking over the matter of the disappearance of the medicine bottle bearing the prescription number written for her by Dr. Smith in Macogdoches, she finally recalled that during the latter part of the summer of 1932, before he started picking cotton in the latter part of August or early part of September, 1932, Mrs. Muckelroy's two nephews, L. C. Barrow and Clyde Barrow, accompanied by Clyde Barrow's wife, Bonnie, came to Martinsville, and visited with them from one Monday or Tuesday noon until the following Friday evening late; that at that time they were driving a Ford Coupe, as he recalls of chocolate color, bearing Texas License Plates; that with Clyde and L. C. Barrow were also their mother, Mrs. Ounie Barrow and her young daughter, about 17 years of age; that L. C. Barrow was afflicted with a venereal disease, and asked for a bottle and Leo Muckelroy (his son) gave L. C. Barrow the bottle attached to which was the label bearing the prescription number written for Mrs. Muckelroy by Dr. Smith, and Mrs. Muckelroy at that time said "Don't take that I may want to have that prescription refilled," but finally said to her son "Well, go ahead you may have the bottle;" that since that date Mrs. Barrow, Mrs. Muckelroy's sister, has written to Mrs. Muckelroy, and said they got home to Dallas, but Clyde and his wife did not stop in Dallas, but went right on off; that while at their home on the visit Clyde and his wife would refer to the Ford Coupe as "our car"; that he does not know where Clyde and his wife live, but they just go all over the country; that Clyde has served time in the Texas State Penitentiary, and was released sometime shortly after Christmas, 1931, probably in January or February, 1932; that L. C. Barrow is at his mother's home in Dallas, Texas, and he assumes he is now there; that he does not know the maiden name of Clyde's wife, but thinks they married in Dallas.

Mrs. Muckelroy described Clyde and L. C. and Bonnie Barrow as follows:

Name: Clyde Barrow

Age: 25-28 years

Height: 5' 6"

Weight: 125

Eyes: hazel

Hair: black

Build: slender

Nativity: Texas

Marital status: married

Residence: unknown

Marks & Scars: Tattooed on both arms, a girl's bust on L. inner 4-arm

Mother: Ounie Barrow, Dallas, Texas

Dallas P.D. #60423.

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Name: Bonnie Harding, alias Mrs.  
Clyde Barrow, alias Bonnie Barrow  
Age: about 20  
Height: about 5' 5 or 6"  
Weight: about 100  
Eyes: - -  
Hair: Dark brown (bobbed)  
Build: slender  
Nativity: Texas  
Marital status: married  
Residence: unknown  
Marks & Scars: Bullet wound in L. foot in toe  
next to little toe.  
Mother: unknown.

Name: L. G. Barrow  
Age: 20  
Height: about 6'  
Weight: 145-150  
Eyes: blue  
Hair: sandy  
Build: slender  
Nativity: Texas  
Marital status: single  
Residence: Dallas, Texas.  
Mother: Mrs. Gmie Barrow, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Muckelroy further stated that Mrs. Barrow lives across the first viaduct before reaching the Union Station, over on the Oak Cliff side, Dallas, and after crossing the viaduct turn left where street branches; that Mrs. Barrow operates a filling station several blocks, probably one half mile, from where you take the left prong of the "Y" like you were going to Waco.

Clyde has a sister, Mrs. Artie Wilber or Wilburn operating a beauty shop in Denison, and another sister by the name of Nellie, last name unknown, who operates a beauty shop in Denison, Texas; that Clyde was at his house about one month before this visit of the several members of the Barrow family; that at that time Clyde was in company with two other men whom he introduced as Smith; and these three were in a sedan, he thinks a Dodge. It bore Dallas County License Plates, and the two Smith boys claimed that car was theirs. One was over 6' tall and the other was about 5' 7" in height; that Clyde's other brother, Buck Barrow was shot in the knee several years ago while escaping from the Texas Penitentiary, and came to his (Muckelroy's) farm and stayed until he was well, then went back to the penitentiary and surrendered, and that Buck still is in the penitentiary.

Chief of Police Drewry and Dr. Smith stated that Jim Muckelroy is a reliable man and a good citizen, and he so impressed Agent. Inasmuch as Mrs. Muckelroy apparently did not furnish the above information to Chief of Police Drewry and Dr. Smith, it was thought best not to interview her, since Mr. Muckelroy

stated he would just as soon his wife did not know he had furnished any information as to the Barrows. Mrs. Gumie Barrow and Mrs. Muckelroy are sisters.

The following persons have been associated with Clyde Champion Barrow:

Stacy Bain bridge;

Alton Carroll Rayburn, alias Jack Rayburn;

Gene O'Dare, alias Willard Lee O'Neal, alias Jack O'Neal;

Ira Hamilton; and Raymond Hamilton.

Raymond Hamilton and Gene O'Hare were apprehended at Bay City, Mich., December 6, 1932. Hamilton now is in custody at Dallas, Texas, held for prosecution in the State Courts, and Gene O'Dare has been sentenced to life in the Texas Penitentiary from LaGrange, Texas.

Clyde Barrow's woman, referred to by Mr. Muckelroy as his wife, Bonnie, is Bonnie Parker, who is the wife of one Roy Harding now under 20 years sentence for burglary at Waxahachie, Texas. Her sister, Mrs. Fred Mace, alias Billie Parker, and mother a Mrs. Parker, reside at 1216 South Lamar Street, Dallas.

Clyde Barrow's mother, resides at Route #6, Eagle Ford Road, Dallas, Texas.

Gene O'Dare's wife is a sister to Raymond Hamilton.

The car which Clyde Barrow and companions are alleged to have stolen at Victoria, Texas, in August, 1932, was thought by Chief Deputy Sheriff Bill Decker, Dallas, to have been found abandoned at Carthage, Missouri.

L. C. Barrow, Clyde's younger brother, is under some sort of criminal charges at Kaufman, Texas, and scheduled to be tried or his case presented to a Grand Jury in that town March 1, 1933.

It is possible that the name Raymond Roberts, as used in the title of this investigation originally, should have been Raymond Hamilton; however, the file in the Dallas Office does not reflect how the name Raymond Roberts was obtained.

For the information of the interested offices, the following history as obtained from Mr. Douglas Walsh, Superintendent of the Dallas City Identification Bureau, as to Clyde Barrow and members of the gang he has associated with is here set out:

Clyde Barrow is wanted for the following crimes:

April 30, 1932 - murder, Hillsboro, Texas.  
 May 12, 1932 robbery, Lufkin, Texas.  
 Aug. 1, 1932 " Dallas, Texas.  
 " 4 1932 murder of sheriff, Atoka, Okla.  
 " 14 1932 kidnapping Deputy Sheriff, Carlbad, N. M.  
 ( " 15 1932 Released Carlbad Officer in San Antonio, Texas)  
 " 15 1932 Theft of car Victoria, Texas.  
 " 15 1932 Shot at Deputy Sheriff's, Wharton, Texas.  
 Oct. 8, 1932 Robbery, Abilene, Texas.  
 " 11 1932 Murder & robbery, Sherman, Texas.  
 Jan. 6, 1933 Murder, Tarrant County Deputy Sheriff at Dallas, Tex.

Stacy Bainbridge, Ira Hamilton and Jack Rayburn on November 2, 1932, robbed a bank at Mingus, Texas, in Palo Pinto County, and are wanted by the Sheriff of that county.

W. S. Day, former Sheriff Midland, Mich., address 515 George Street, Midland, on December 5, 1932, wired the Dallas Police Department, "Is Raymond Hamilton and three others wanted for murder your city or state?"

On December 26, 1932, Lieut. L. W. Morse, Michigan State Police, East Lansing, Mich., wired the Dallas Police Department:

"Our information Bainbridge, alias Jack Snyder in this city with Clyde Barrow, do you know Bainbridge, is he wanted?"

Through that means Raymond Hamilton and Gene O'Dare were apprehended at Midland, and then taken to Bay City, Michigan for incarceration.

By subsequent correspondence Mr. Walsh informed Sheriff Day and Lieut. Morse that Stacy Bainbridge and Jack Rayburn were both wanted in Palo Pinto County, Texas, but left it to their judgment as to whether or not either of them took Bainbridge and Rayburn into custody and notified that official, as Jack Rayburn apparently is the person who was furnishing information to the Michigan Authorities, and this informant had promised that he could turn "Pretty Boy Floyd" to the Michigan Authorities.

The local officers have interviewed many times Raymond Hamilton. He will make no statement, except in denying his part in certain of the crimes, stated to Mr. Walsh that he and Clyde Barrow split, but he could not give the date.

Gene O'Dare is a Narcotic Addict, and at the present time is in the County Jail at Athens, Texas. Sheriff Jess Sweeten informed this Agent that O'Dare refuses to talk at all of any of the crimes he was charged with or of any of his confederates.

Photographs of the following persons are attached to the Detroit and Oklahoma City Bureau Offices' copies of this report:

able for Detroit). Alton Carroll Rayburn, alias Jack Rayburn, (only 1 copy available for Detroit).

Stacy Bainbridge;

Gene O'Dare

Raymond Hamilton; and,

Clyde Champion Barrow, each of the above photographs bear description and fingerprint classification on the reverse side.

The local state and county authorities, including State Rangers, are watching for Barrow to show up in Dallas as he has announced that he intends to visit his mother whenever he desires if he has to shoot his way in and out of Dallas. He is a killer and without warning has killed and shot at several officers, who merely approached him.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

DALLAS OFFICE will endeavor to arrange with Mr. Jim Muckelroy at Martinville, Texas, that he notify Chief of Police Tom Drewry, at Macgregor, Texas, or State Rangers A. E. Bennett and Pink Vaughn at Center, Texas, the next time Clyde Barrow appears at Muckelroy's farm.

DETROIT OFFICE at East Lansing, Mich., should contact Lt. Morse, Michigan State Police, and former Sheriff Day at Midland, Mich., for what information they may have recently received as to Barrow's whereabouts. Also, furnish them information as to Stacy Bainbridge, Jack Rayburn and Ira Hamilton.

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE will endeavor to have the photograph of Clyde Barrow identified as to the person seen at Pawhuska in the abandoned stolen Ford Coupe.

SAN ANTONIO OFFICE at Wharton and Victoria, Texas, through the Sheriffs at those cities will obtain information regarding theft of car at Victoria and its recovery.

PENDING.

March 8, 1933.

Mr. C. P. Hart,  
Asst. Supt.

My dear Sir:

I quote a letter from F. J. Blake, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Investigation, Dallas, dated March 6th. Please see that his request is complied with for thirty days:

"Kindly furnish this office tracings of mail addressed to Mrs. Clyde Barrow who resides on Eagle Ford Road, Route #6, Dallas, and to Mrs. Fred Mace, Millie Parker, and others at 1216 South Lamar Street, Dallas.

"This address may be 1218 South Lamar, but Mrs. Parker is the mother and Mrs. Mace is the sister of one Bonnie Parker, who is with Clyde Barrow, and the carrier will likely know which house these people occupy."

Respectfully,

Superintendent of Mails.

CC-F. J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge

If the 30 day period does not answer your purpose,  
you may write me again.

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P.O. Box 1216,  
Dallas, Texas.

March 29, 1938.

Mr. E.A. Schmid,  
Sheriff,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sheriff Schmid:-

With reference to the cover placed  
on the mail at 1216 South Lamar Street, Dallas, Texas:

We are in receipt of a tracing of  
a letter addressed to "Mr. Buster Parker, 1216 Lamar  
Street, Dallas, Texas;" with the return address "Edeta  
Parker, Gladewater, Texas."

Very truly yours,

F.J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Detroit, Mich.

FILE NO.

23-3776.

REPORT MADE AT: Okla. City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE: 3-29-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 3/21-22/33	REPORT MADE BY: M. Sorola.
TITLE: "Charged"; CLYDE BARROW, alias ROY RILEY; L. C. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON; MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW, alias BONNIE PARKER			CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Photograph of Clyde Barrow exhibited to police officers and other persons, but no one was able to identify it as the likeness of the man who abandoned Ford Coupe, Motor number A-1878100, at Pawhuska, Okla., September 18, 1932. Subject registered at Duncan Hotel, Pawhuska, Okla., as Roy Bailey. Registration card secured.

B.U.C.

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent C. E. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, March 6, 1933.

**DETAILS:**

At Pawhuska, Okla.

O. E. Hansen, Traffic Police Officer, Pawhuska, Okla., was interviewed. He stated that on September 18, 1932, at 4:00 P.M., he drove by the side entrance of the Duncan Hotel, at which time he noticed a young man and woman loading their suitcases in a Ford Coupe; that one of the negro porters was helping the man put the suitcases in the rear compartment of the car; that he drove to the end of the block, turned around and drove back; that he again passed by the Ford car and got a good look at the couple; that on the morning of September 19, 1932, when the Ford Coupe, bearing motor number A-1878100, was found abandoned near the high school and the report was made to the Police Department about the theft of the Ford Sedan VS, Motor #1456, of Charles Trough of Pawhuska, Okla., between four and five P.M. on September 18, 1932, he suspected that the couple who had checked out at 4:00 P.M. from the Duncan Hotel the day before possibly had abandoned the Ford Coupe of Dr. P. L. Dameron of Effingham, Illinois, and stolen the Ford Sedan of Charles Trough at Pawhuska, Okla.; that he checked the Duncan Hotel registration cards and

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ascertained that the parties who had checked out at 4:00 P.M., September 18, 1932, had registered at the Duncan Hotel on September 18th at 12:13 A.M. as Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bailey from Muskogee. Mr. Hanson further stated that he does not remember the color of the Ford Coupe; that the woman was standing on the sidewalk and the man was holding up the cover of the rear of the car and the negro porter was putting in the suitcases. He described the man as being about 25 years of age, 5' 6 or 7" in height, weighing about 130 pounds, of slender build, wearing gray suit and gray hat turned down on side. The woman appeared to be 18 or 20 years of age, 5' 5" in height, and of slender build. The photograph of Clyde Barrow, Dallas #6048, furnished by the Dallas Bureau office, was exhibited to O. W. Hanson but he was unable to identify the photograph as being the likeness of the man he saw loading the suitcases in the Ford car at the side entrance of the Duncan Hotel. He stated the side view looked like the man referred to but he was not positive.

Agent, accompanied by Officer O. W. Hanson, interviewed C. R. McNight, the negro porter at the Duncan Hotel, Pawhuska, Okla., who helped Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bailey to load the suitcases, and exhibited to him the photograph of Clyde Barrow. McNight stated he does not remember anything about the incident and does not recall what kind of a car they were driving.

H. Murry, Manager of the Duncan Hotel, Pawhuska, Okla., was interviewed. He stated that the Duncan Hotel went under the hands of a receiver on Oct. 16, 1932; that on that date he took the management and changed all the personnel; that there is not one person working there now who worked under the old management previous to October 16, 1932, except McNight, the negro porter; that the present night and day clerks are new men and don't know anything of the case. Through the courtesy of Mr. Murry, the registration cards filed at the Duncan Hotel were searched and a card found on file which was identified by O. W. Hanson as the one he previously had examined. The registration card shows that on September 18, 1932, at 12:13 A.M., Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bailey, of Muskogee, Okla., registered and occupied Room 303, and checked out September 18, 1932, at 4:00 P.M. Mr. Murry gave this Agent the registration card, bearing the original handwriting of Roy Bailey, for identification purposes.

J. E. DeRoche, Sergeant, Police Department, Pawhuska, Okla., was interviewed. The photograph of Clyde Barrow was exhibited to him and other police officers with no results. They stated they did not recall ever having seen him in Pawhuska. Sergeant DeRoche stated that he still has in the storage room of the Police Department the clothing and the bottle of medicine found in the abandoned Ford Coupe of Dr. E. L. Dameron. Agent, accompanied by Sergeant DeRoche, examined the clothes found in the Ford Coupe, consisting of two calico house dresses - one purple and one green in color; one silk ladies slip, small size; two pairs men's shorts, size 32; two men's shirts, size 18, and one pair of pants. All of these clothes are very dirty, appear never to have been washed, and bear no laundry marks. Agent also examined the bottle of medicine described in the report of Special Agent H. E. Hallis, Okla. City, Okla., dated December 23, 1932, titled Raymond Roberts,

National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. The clothes and the bottle of medicine described above are in possession of Sergeant J. H. DeRoche.

Loyd Trough, Pawhuska, Okla., brother of Chas. Trough, owner of the Ford Sedan stolen September 18, 1932 at Pawhuska, stated to this Agent that Charles Trough lived eight miles out in the country and was not available for an interview. Loyd Trough stated that Will Labadie told him that he saw a man and a woman on the Pawhuska-Bartlesville Highway about three miles East of town on September 18, 1932, about 4:30 P.M., having some trouble with their car; that Labadie stopped and asked the man if he needed any help; that Labadie stated that if he ever saw the man again he could identify him, and it is possible that Labadie can identify the photograph.

William Labadie, 321 East 12th St., Pawhuska, Okla., was interviewed. He stated that on Sunday, September 18, 1932, his wife and he were driving on the Pawhuska-Bartlesville highway going toward Pawhuska; that about three miles east of Pawhuska there is a curve on the old road and when he got to the intersection of the new road with the old road he noticed oil that had leaked evidently from a car; that he stopped and saw that it went on the old road; that he noticed around the curve there was a car, so he drove to where this car was stopped and asked the man if he needed any help; that the young man, who was under the car working, stuck his head out a little and said no, he was getting along all right, and refused any help. Mr. Labadie said that he offered to push the car to the nearest garage, but the man refused and never came out from under the car while he was there; that he saw only one side of his face; that he had on vest striped overalls over his suit and a cap; that the woman was seated inside of the car and kept a newspaper in front of her face all the time he was there; that the car was a V8 Ford Coupe, maroon in color, and had thereon 1932 Texas license, the number of which he does not remember. The photograph of Clyde Barrow was exhibited to William Labadie but he stated he could not identify it; that he was not sure that same was that of the man he saw under the car. Mr. Labadie stated that he drove from there straight to his home in Pawhuska and when he arrived home it was 4:35 P.M. Mr. Labadie was unable to give any description of the man or the woman. He advised that his wife did not know any more than he has already stated concerning this matter.

The registration card obtained from the Duncan Hotel is herewith enclosed with a copy of this report to the Dallas Bureau office to compare the handwriting of Clyde Barrow, possibly on records at the Dallas Police Department, with the handwriting on the registration card.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

DALLAS OFFICE: Is requested to ascertain from the Identification Bureau, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, if they have on record the signature of Clyde Barrow. If so, compare the handwriting on the registration card with same.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

FILE NO. **26-4509**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Detroit, Michigan</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>3/28/33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>3/24/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>J. L. MURPHY</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE BARROW; MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW; L. O. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON; BONNIE PARKER alias MRS. CLYDE BARROW</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Information received by former Sheriff at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan that Barrow, accompanied by Rayburn and Pretty Boy Floyd intended to rob the bank at Midland about March 1, 1933. Barrow and Rayburn were in Midland the same time Hamilton and O'Dare were there. Former Sheriff feels they will return again to Midland. Sheriff Langon, Mt. Pleasant, states feels sure Subject Barrow was in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan several months ago.

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**REFERENCE:** Report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas dated 3/6/33.

**DETAILS:** AT MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

Agent interviewed former Sheriff W. S. Day at Midland, Michigan. Mr. Day advised that even though he is now out of office, he has been endeavoring to obtain information that might lead to the whereabouts of the Subjects of this case and he stated that about a month ago he received information from a man by the name of Frank Walsh, who is employed at a refinery in Midland, to the effect that Clyde Barrow, Alton Carroll Rayburn and Pretty Boy Floyd were coming to Midland to rob the bank at that place. He stated that he turned this information over to the present Sheriff of Midland and the bank was guarded for several days but no one showed up. Mr. Day stated that Frank Walsh, above referred to, is the confidential informant from whom he received information that led to the arrest of Raymond Hamilton and Gene O'Dare in December 1932. It is Mr. Day's personal opinion

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that Frank Walsh is also a member of this gang, but he has been cooperating with Mr. Day.

At the request of Mr. Day, Frank Walsh was not interviewed by Agent. Mr. Day said that he felt that Barrow and some of the gang that is running around with him at the present time, will return to Midland if for no other reason than to try and kill Frank Walsh and himself for arresting Hamilton and O'Dare. Mr. Day promised to notify the Detroit Office of the Bureau in the event he should receive any information regarding Barrow or any of the other men whose names are mentioned in this case.

Mr. Day stated that at the time Gene O'Dare and Raymond Hamilton were in Midland, Michigan, Clyde Barrow and Alton Rayburn were with them. He said he saw these men on the streets of Midland on numerous occasions before he had any information they were wanted and that he saw the four of them together after he had received such information, but was afraid to attempt to arrest them as he was alone at the time.

Agent interviewed George Venner, Sheriff, Midland County, Midland, Michigan, who was unable to furnish any information regarding this case other than the fact that it had been reported to him that Barrow, Rayburn and Pretty Boy Floyd had planned to rob the bank in Midland.

#### AT MT. PLEASANT, MICHIGAN

While in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, Agent showed the photographs of Barrow, Rayburn, Hamilton, O'Dare, Bainbridge and Clark to Sheriff Palmer Landon and to Pat Dillon, trooper, Michigan State Police and they both stated they felt sure that they had seen some of these men in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan within the past two or three months and that the pictures of Barrow and Rayburn looked very familiar to them. They both promised to be on the lookout for any of these men and to apprehend them if they showed up in that county. They asked to be furnished copies of photographs of these men in order that they might have them on file in their office. It should be noted here that Mt. Pleasant, Michigan is just twenty-five miles West of Midland, Michigan and is in the heart of the oil fields.

Sheriff Venner at Midland, Michigan also requested that photographs of Subjects be furnished his office. Photographs of Rayburn, Barrow, Bainbridge and Clark are being sent to the Chicago Bureau office with the request that photostatic copies of the same be made. Upon receipt of these photostatic copies, will furnish one of each to both the Sheriff's Office at Midland and Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD: The DETROIT OFFICE at LANSING, MICHIGAN will carry out the lead suggested in the report of reference. Will also, upon receipt of the above mentioned photostatic copies of instant photos, furnish one copy of each of the four to both the Sheriff's Office at Midland, Michigan and the Sheriff's Office at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO.

23-4332

REPORT MADE AT: <u>San Antonio, Tex.</u>	DATE WHEN MADE: <u>March 29 '33</u>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <u>3/7-2-18-22/33</u>	REPORT MADE BY: <u>C. R. Davis</u>
TITLE: <u>CLYDE CHAMPION BARNOW alias CLYDE BARNOW; BONNIE PARKER alias MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARNOW; L. C. BARNOW; RAYMOND HAMILTON</u>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</u>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subjects at Victoria, Texas, stole Ford V-8 motor #V817768, license #71-810, August 15, 1932, owner C. H. Hawkins, Victoria, Tex. Car recovered from Sheriff, Carthage, Mo. R.U.C.

Reference: Report of Special Agent C. R. Winstead, Dallas, Tex. 3/6/33.

DETAILS:

Upon receipt of the reference report letter was forwarded by this Bureau Office to Sheriff at Wharton, Texas, and also to Sheriff at Victoria, Texas, requesting that this Bureau office be furnished with all information as to theft of car in question. On March 10, 1933, letter received from Sheriff J. C. Willis of Wharton, Texas, furnishing information that the Ford V-8 car that subjects made their escape in from Wharton, Texas, at time they attempted to kill Deputy Sheriff there, was stolen at Victoria, Texas; that subjects abandoned a car at Wharton, Tex. that had been stolen at Grand Prairie, Texas.

The Sheriff at Victoria not having replied to previous letter on 3/18/33 another letter was forwarded to him and on 3/24/33 a reply was received furnishing information that Ford V-8 motor #V817768, Texas 1932 license #K-71-810 was stolen August 15, 1932, from owner C. H. Hawkins at Victoria, Texas, and that car in question was recovered by Sheriff at Carthage, Mo. about one month after theft of car occurred.

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U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

Dallas, Texas,  
April 21, 1933.

MEMORANDUM.

Re: CLYDE BARROW,  
Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

The covers on mail addressed to Mrs. Marken or Markin, Redge Horton and Bessie Caldwell at Wilmer, Texas; and the cover on the mail of Mr. Mack M. Rodgers and Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Hill, Hutchins, Texas, have been requested for the purpose of endeavoring to ascertain the whereabouts of Clyde and Buck Barrow.

Mrs. Marken is the mother of Bessie Barrow, wife of Buck; and Mrs. Johnny Hill is Mrs. Buck Barrow's sister. It is thought that if Buck's wife is with him that she will communicate with her mother regardless of consequences, and that Buck and Clyde are probably together.

In order that the information obtained through this mail cover may be used to the best advantage, it is desired that the tracings be submitted immediately upon receipt to Chief Deputy Sheriff Bill Decker, Dallas, Texas.

C. B. WINEFORD, Special Agent.

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	<i>[Signature]</i>

420 Federal Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

April 21, 1933.

Postmaster,  
Wilmer, Texas.

Re: CLYDE BARRON,  
Natl. Motor Veh. Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

Would you kindly furnish at this office for a period of 30 days, tracings of all mail addressed to Mrs. Marmon or Markin, who lives with Rodge Horton at or near Wilmer; and also tracings of all mail with return addresses addressed to Rodge Horton and to Mr. or Mrs. Bessie Caldwell?

Thanking you in advance for your kind attention in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

D. L. MCCORMACK, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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430 Federal Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

April 21, 1933.

Postmaster,  
Butchins, Texas.

Re: CLYDE BARRON,  
Natl. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that you furnish to this office for a period of 30 days, tracings of all mail together with return addresses and date postmarked, of letters received in your office addressed to Mack H. Rodgers and to Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Hill.

Thanking you in advance for your kind attention to this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

D. L. McCOMBACE, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

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Wilmer, Texas

Apr. 26. 1933.

W. L. McCormack,

Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your request to trace all mail for Mrs. Lillian Marcum and Redge Horton, I have a letter now for Mrs. Marcum. The letter has no return address but is postmarked London, Ky.

Redge Horton and Mrs. Marcum have moved to Sherwin, Texas Rt. 2. I will continue to watch all mail that comes to them here.  
26-4114-24 Lottie M. Stadden  
Postmaster.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

San Angelo, Texas.  
P.O. Box #911  
May 1, 1933.

Mr. Fred Dunn, Department Of Justice, Agent  
Northern District Of Texas  
Dallas, Texas  
Dear Mr. Dunn:-

This is to advise that there has been two new  
Ford V-8, stolen from the W. Beauregard, St. at The St. Angelus  
Hotel of San Angelo, Texas, as follows:-

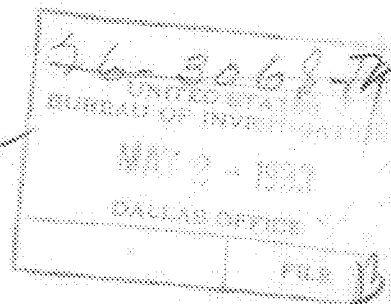
From Arthur Broome, Owner, San Angelo, Texas, on April 25, 1933.  
1932-V-8, Brown Ford Sedan, (or Tudor)  
Lisense #A17-473, Motor NO. #106,435.

From Frank White, Manager of The San Angelus Hotel San Angelo,  
Texas.  
#1932-Ford V-8, Black Tudor, Black in Color, Lisense NO. A14-999,  
Motor NO. #179042, De Luse Equiped, tires on side of fenders, Trunk  
rack on rear, Radio Installed. *Apr. 30, 1933.*

The only reason I am sending you this data, I thought it might  
be Eual (Beefy) Rutherford's bunch doing this, for they do not  
steal any thing expect new Car's, if the data I am getting is  
correct, I know any car they steal in Texas, would have to cross  
into another State before, you would be interested, but if they  
got these they may be taking them into New Mexico, or they may  
~~xxxx~~ take them to Eula, Texas, Southwest of Abilene, Texas in  
Callehan County, at Murry Rutherfords, and place them in the  
brush on his farm, for that section is very dense with brush.

Very respectfully,

*W. B. Dillingree*  
By *W. B. Dillingree*  
U.S. Deputy Marshal.



HITCHINS TEXAS. MAY 4 1933

Mr. A. L. McCormack, Acting,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Dallas, Tex.

Dear Sir:

Acting on your request.

1. Apr. 21/33 - Beg to advise, as follows:-  
One letter, postmark Hitchins  
Tex., Apr. 15, 1933, addressed to Mrs. Belle  
Hill, Goner, Texas, R. 1. Return address:-  
"After 10 days return to John Hill, Hitchins, Tex."  
This letter was return to writer, (and  
is still in hand delivery box, postmark Goner, Tex.  
Apr. 24/33. Endorsed "Unclaimed. Unknown"
2. 1 Letter addressed Mrs. Ethel Rogers,  
Hitchins, Texas. Postmark Goner, Texas.  
May 1, 1933. Return address:- "After 5 days  
return to J. H. Hill, R. 2 Goner, Knox Co., Tex.  
This letter was received at Hitchins  
Texas, May 3rd/33, and is still in P.O.

Yours Truly  
James Postmaster  
HITCHINS TEXAS

26-4174-76

26-3068-31
UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
MAY 5 - 1933
DALLAS OFFICE
FILE 6

430 Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

May 3, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: Clyde Barrow, aliases.  
N.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

I am transmitting herewith a photograph developed from a film obtained at Joplin, Missouri upon the occasion when two law-enforcement officers were killed there recently - presumably by Clyde and Buck Barrow, notorious Texas outlaws, one of whom (Clyde) is subject of investigation by this and other offices of the Bureau for violation of the N.M.V.T.A.

It has been rumored that Clyde Barrow is associated with "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and you are requested to endeavor to ascertain whether the associate of Barrow in the attached photograph is in fact Floyd.

Very truly yours,

F.J. Hume,  
Special Agent in Charge.

FJB:LCE  
cc Bureau  
26-2200-73

26-4114-27

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NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
NIGHT MESSAGE	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
WASHINGTON D C

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INFORMATION WHEREABOUTS CLYDE BARROW PAYMENT UPON DELIVERY ONLY

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J. C. WILLEVEN  
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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DALLAS TEXAS JANUARY 17 1934

KATY FRANCE  
CONSTABLE  
CENTER TEXAS

DISREGARD TELEPHONE CONVERSATION OTHER OFFICERS BELIEVE INADVISABLE  
TO MOVE NOW THANKS

F J BLAKE  
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION

Official Business  
Gov. Hate  
CHG: Division Investigation  
FJB:LMT 3:15 PM

26-4114-173

WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE

Dallas, Texas  
1/17/34

Mr. Winstead called from Crockett 11:15 AM and reported:

Deputy Sheriff at Crockett went to the Eastham Farm yesterday morning and took up the trail of Ford coupe and followed it up above Middleton; was getting farther and farther behind it all the time so called the Sheriff at Fairfield, Texas then returned to Crockett. Said he is satisfied it was the car because 2 men were in the "turtle-back" dressed in white clothes and 3 men in the front seat; they headed up a dirt road toward Buffalo, Texas. That the day before that 2 men and a woman in a Ford V-8 coupe were riding around down in the vicinity of the Eastham farm, who were strangers there.

L. Tomlinson.

26-4114-174



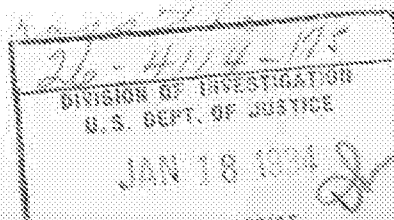
OFFICE OF  
Sheriff of Houston County

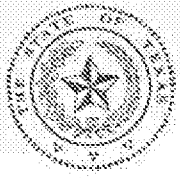
J. L. HAZLETT, SHERIFF

Crockett, Texas

Jan. 17/34

L. H. Cheney, Dep. Sff. Crockett, stated that the Sheriff's Office at Crockett, 25 miles from Beaumont, was notified about 7<sup>45</sup> a.m. that the two guards at the prison farm had been shot; that two men had begun firing on the guards, and five convicts had escaped; that one of the two men was Clyde Barrow, that the break occurred about 7<sup>30</sup> a.m., and the men had made their get away in a black Ford V-8 Coupe; that he and one of the other deputies went out on a road below Crockett and spent about 20 minutes; that knowing the country so well, he decided the escapes and their Confederates would try to avoid main high-ways, and follow back roads, so he went to Austin, and learned there from a barber that a Ford V-8 Coupe went through Austin at a high rate of speed with either 2 or 3 men in the back with the top raised about half up, and with three men in the front seat; that this is a dirt road and turns north at Austin; that he could see where this car skidded around the corner that from Austin he went across the



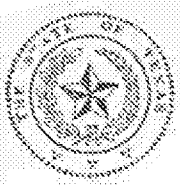


## Sheriff of Houston County

J. L. HADLEY, SHERIFF

Crockett, Texas

Trinity into Madison County on Highway 21;  
that at a Negro school 3 miles from the  
River going toward Madisonville he talked  
with a Negro woman, who had seen the  
same Ford Coupe and she said the car  
turned off of Highway 21 there on to a  
dirt road going N.W. toward Middleton;  
that he proceeded up that road to near  
Middleton where a road gang was at work  
when a bridge was out and a big dump in  
the road; that the road-gang members  
had seen the Ford V-8 Coupe, with the  
man in the back dressed in white prison  
clothes and 3 men in the front seat;  
that at Harrison he was about 30 minutes  
behind them, but at the road gang he  
was about an hour behind the Ford  
Coupe. So he went into Madisonville  
and phoned the Sheriff at Fairbairn  
that the car was headed that way  
and then returned to Eastham Farm;  
that Barrow has an uncle by the name of  
Davis living in Leon County between Oakwood  
and the River; that they have a man in



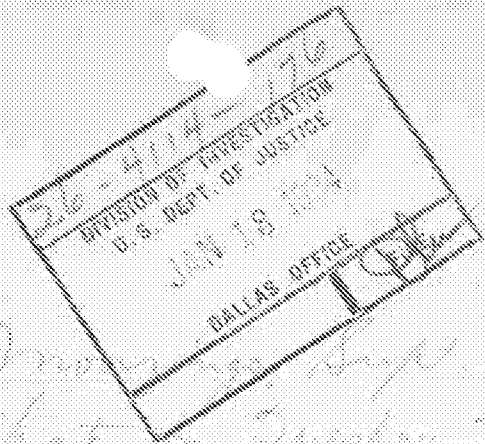
OFFICE OF

# Sheriff of Houston County

J. L. HADLEY, SHERIFF

Grackell, Texas

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Where assisting Sheriff Thompson of Leon County,  
that it is Sheriff Haylett's opinion  
that the papers are somewhere in the woods  
and River bottoms in Leon County.



Langham Farm  
1/17/34

B.B. Moore, Sup. Langham prison farm stated that on Tuesday morning, January 16, 1934, about 7<sup>30</sup> o'clock, two men slipped into the brush about 3 miles from Steel quarters and concealed themselves. That in some brush pits where the gangs were cleaning land and had been for about 15 days, there were 45 calibre automatic pistols were concealed. That Joe Palma laid in barracks Monday afternoon claiming to be ill. That Palma was the first man to begin the shooting. That <sup>W.H.</sup> Bybee, and Henry McChesin, prisoners also had 45 calibre automatic pistols and did some shooting. Palma as the one who shot Major Cronson, generally that Raymond Hamilton did not have a pistol. That J.B. French another prisoner who escaped ~~from~~ was not in the same squad with the other prisoners who escaped. That other prisoners have stated that Clyde Barrow was one of the outside men who were concealed in the brush, and ~~then~~ after the prisoners themselves shot the guards, Clyde covered their retreat by shooting

several bursts from a machine gun, while  
his companion a tall young man shot a  
45 automatic pistol; that Clyde Barrow is  
well known to a number of prisoners on the  
farm who were in the Bush clearing squads,  
that Barrow served a term on the farm with  
some of them; that some of the prisoners  
have told him that the 3 automatic pistols  
were shipped into the prison Monday and  
Joe Palma fired them up Monday afternoon;  
that the arrangements were made by Barrow  
for the purpose of releasing Hamilton, and  
that Hamilton invited any of them who cared to  
go out with him could come along, but for none of  
them who couldn't see a pistol to leave the  
pistol alone.

Capt. Morygo stated that Sgt. Hamilton and  
his wife came to the farm Sunday to visit Raymond  
Hamilton.

First Capt. Don Small fired at Agent  
with a 16 gauge shot gun shell which he  
found on the route.

Hamilton left his white prison clothes in the branch before going to the room.

J. R. Mc Cafferty, Guard, who saw the shooting stated that prisoner Aubrey Scalley, G.P.# 67000- sentenced Dallas Co. to 5 years Robbery, informed him that he saw Clyde Barrow and knows he was one of the men involved. That Scalley further stated that Clyde on four occasions had sent him word any time he wanted to escape, if he didn't look him it was done he would come for him; that he can and will at any time "put Clyde on the spot."

A search was made for shells used in the shooting, but not a one was found nor were any latent bullets found in trees in the vicinity.

The two guards were shot with Pistols, and neither Mr. Mornings nor the guards had ever seen either a Browning Automatic Rifle nor a Thompson Machine Gun.

One Guard estimated a 100 shots were fired by the escaping prisoners and the two



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Confederates. Apparently no shots were fired by the guards.

As the car was met by the men upon leaving the prison which has been described by a negro, at whom they shot just after starting off in the car, and a white man neighbor, as a Ford V-8 Coupe painted black & and Monday that car with a woman and woman in it, and followed by another V-8 Coupe with two men in it, there must have been another car concealed some place a distance from the scene of the escape.

Mr. Monzingo is of the opinion that Floyd Hamilton was with Alvin Barrow because a tall young man, calling him - self Floyd and a woman visited Raymond Hamilton Sunday at East Lawn Farm. The woman may have been Debbie Parker or Bonnie &

Barrow knows the terrain at East Lawn Farm and the surrounding country.  
The matter of taking up with Mr.

Lee Simmons, Superintendent of the Texas Prison System, as to the proposition of Aubrey Scalley, will be deferred temporarily as Mr. Simmons is away from Huntsville at this time, and it will be necessary to have Scalley taken to the Wails at Huntsville, away from Eastham Farm, to talk with him. However, he may be in a position to contact Barrow through some source, as he and Clyde beat Bob Crowder to death with an iron bar inside of the Barracks at Eastham farm.

One of the Crowder boys Sid Crowder still is alive. He probably could be located around Houston, Texas. He and his 2 brothers served Penitentiary sentences from either Harris or St. Paul County, Texas, some years ago for murdering 10 or 12 negroes one night. Sid is a tough individual, and this Agent talked with him in the County Jail at Longview, Texas, in 1932. He was picked up at that

time by State Ranger Red Britton, who  
now is Chief of Police at Don Ball, Texas.  
It might be possible to secure some  
assistance from Crowder in locating Barron.

While at Eastham Farm, Agent was  
informed by Superintendent Morzingg that  
Sheriff Jim Hagbert of Crockett phoned that  
he believed Barron, Hamilton and the other  
escaped prisoners were in hiding in the  
Trinity river bottom in Leon County around  
the home of one Davis, a reputed relative of  
Barron; that Hagbert had contacted  
the Rangers at Houston and they were  
going to form a posse and go into Leon  
County.

C. B. Brewster

Division  
U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

325 1/2 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

January 17, 1934.

RE:aw  
26-3186

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE; I. O. #1211; et al;  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your telegram of January 16, 1934, in the above entitled case, advising that Barrow had that morning assisted in the escape of Raymond Hamilton and others from the Eastham State Farm at Weldon, Texas, and that it was thought possible that Barrow and the escaped convicts might proceed to Louisiana.

Upon receipt of your telegram I communicated telephonically with Mr. Dewey Foote, Deputy Sheriff, Cheneyville, Louisiana, and advised him relative to the above. Cheneyville is a small community near Bell Cheney Springs, and Mr. Foote has been rendering intelligent and active cooperation with this office, as reflected in report of Special Agent D. W. Magee, dated 1-16-34 at New Orleans, Louisiana, in this case.

I also advised the Police officials at Shreveport, and Alexandria, Louisiana, and Mr. R. L. Whitman, Superintendent, Louisiana State Bureau of Identification and Investigation, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Mr. Whitman indicated that he will issue a bulletin to all law enforcement officials in Louisiana relative to this matter.

Investigation will be continued by the New Orleans Office in the vicinity of Cheneyville, Shreveport, and Alexandria, Louisiana, as outlined in Agent Magee's report above mentioned.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Division

26-4114-177
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JAN 18 1934
DALLAS OFFICE

26/11/14

May 14 1934

Mr. C. Strode, Constable, Macoylocke  
 has stated that on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 1934,  
 an informant who lives about 3 miles from  
 Macoylocke farm, north of Martinsville,  
 informed him that on Sunday morning a Pierce  
 Arrow coupe was at Mr. C. Strode's garage, headed  
 east, with three men in it, and they said they  
 would be back Saturday. No one knows why the  
 men stopped at Mr. C. Strode's garage.

Mr. Strode stated that the following persons  
 are related to Barrow:

The entire Martin family around Martinsville,  
 N. Brown, between Swift and Martinsville  
 about 3 miles north and west of the Macoylocke  
 Center Highway -

Billy Martin, lives about 25 miles southerly  
 from San Augustine, and about 7 miles from  
 White City. To get to Billy Martin's it is necessary  
 to go to Brownson and turn West. Informant  
 stated to Strode it is 15 miles from Brownson  
 to Billy Martin's & that Clyde was at Billy Martin's  
 last year for 6 weeks; that Martin's house is a 2 story  
 affair with an upstairs gallery from which the  
 surrounding country may be seen for a mile or more.  
 That Martin has 10 or 12 bound dogs & a high  
 wire net fence around the house.

Rommie Linthicum married a woman who, as  
 reported by Cash Linthicum, Rommie's brother, is the  
 Clyde Barrow's brother. Rommie & wife live at San  
 Angelo, Texas. Rommie probably works on Granddaddy  
 Ranch at San Jose's. Cash Linthicum lives in Mexico.



and he married a Trunkelray.

Mr. Strade's informant is in some way related to the Jim Strickland family. Strade claims he doesn't know his name.

However, if Barron is in this country now it would be impossible to get into the woods only by horse back. The roads are impassible, only to Martinsville and Center.

C.B. Winstanley

26-4114-198
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JUN 28 1938
DALLAS OFFICE
H. W.

January 18, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
386 Post Office Building,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW,  
with aliases,  
FUGITIVE I. O. #1211, et al.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of Special Agent in Charge Blake, dated at Dallas, Texas, December 30, 1933, addressed to you transmitting a photograph of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

The fingerprint files of the Division contain a fingerprint card, submitted on one Billie Parker, Oklahoma City Police #14723, and also a photograph of Billie Parker, a copy of which is being transmitted herewith.

It is requested that you advise whether the photograph of Billie Parker is of the same person as Bonnie Parker, and if this is true, at your request, a wanted notice will be placed in the Division on these fingerprints.

A photograph of Billie Parker is also being attached to the copy of this letter being sent to the Dallas Office. *Leach*

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
Director.

Inclosure #272627

cc Dallas

26-4114-179
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JAN 20 1934
DALLAS OFFICE

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

PAUL KERN, U. S. COMMISSIONER

EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

TYLER, TEXAS

January, 18, 1934.

Hon. F. J. Blake,  
Division of Investigation,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I do not know whether or not this will be worth a snap of one's finger or not.

Yesterday afternoon a man, whose name I do not remember came to my office. This man is a former deputy sheriff of Dallas or Tarrant County. He is about 5-8 in height, large girth, blue eyes, large mouth with rather thick lips, walks erect, and thicker through the cheeks than the forehead, he did not want his name mentioned. 3-okes cigars.

He told me that Clyde Barrow had a hang out at phone 2500 in Tyler, and frequented the Mack Hotel on North Spring St., Tyler.

I have been searching and making inquiry since this came to me and I find:

Phone 2500 is a non-listed phone, is in the name of F. W. Beredige, 1403 S. Donneybrook Ave., Tyler. Beredige is not listed in the phone directory nor city directory, have found no one that had heard of the name, the card at the telephone office indicates that the phone has been moved 5 or 6 times.

1403 S. Donneybrook Ave., is listed in the city directory in the name of Craig Johnson as resident and owner. This place has been used as a hang out for bootleggers and Johnson, so I am informed, is a bootlegger. A bootlegger by name of Hase and one by name of Red Chesby have operated at this place.

1403 S. Donneybrook appears to be the only house in this block, is adjoining the show grounds, there is timber back of the house which is frequented by spooners. The house sits back from the street and is a combination garage and residence. The 1300 block is built up with nice houses.

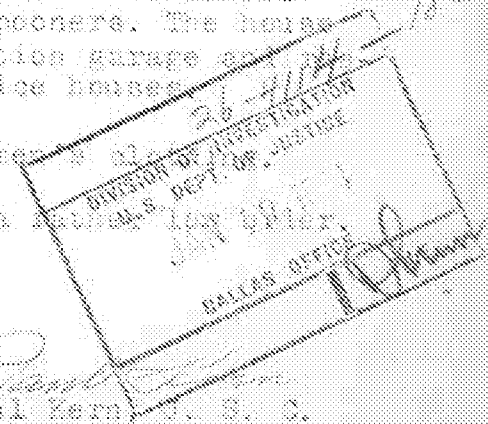
That Barrow may be dressed in women's

The Mack Hotel is a hostelry of a

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly,

Paul Kern, U. S. C.





DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.

PAUL KERN, U. S. COMMISSIONER

EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

TYLER, TEXAS

January 18, 1934.

*Pistol Hill*

Hon. F. J. Blake,

Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Stanley, Deputy Marshal, was in Kilgore a few days ago and Leon Woodlan, Pistol Hill, Kilgore, Texas, told him that he had information of interest to the Dept. of Justice and would like to see one of your men when in Kilgore.

Woodlan is agent for the Star Telegram, he would not indicate what the information may be, nor on what offense it might bear.

Very truly,

*Paul Kern*  
Paul Kern,  
U.S. Commissioner.

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26-444-181	
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE	
JAN 19 1934	
DALLAS OFFICE	
	<i>[Signature]</i>

430 Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

January 13, 1934.

Mr. Paul Kern,  
U.S. Commissioner,  
Tyler, Texas.

Dear Mr. Kern:-

I am in receipt of your letter of 1/12/34 transmitting information concerning a possible hideout of CLYDE BARROW in Tyler, and desire to thank you and assure you it will receive appropriate attention.

With respect to your letter of the same date concerning the desire of Leon Woodlan of Kilgore, Texas to communicate with a Department of Justice agent: I will instruct the next agent visiting Kilgore to get in touch with Mr. Woodlan.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in matters pertaining to our Division.

Very truly yours,

E.L. McCormack, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

ELM:LMT

cc Division  
20-4114- 182

Division  
U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

336½ Post Office Building,

New Orleans, Louisiana.

January 18, 1934.

RV:aw

26-3186

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON, with aliases,  
FUGITIVE; I. O. #1211; et al;  
NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Division letter of January 16, 1934, in the above entitled case, enclosing photograph of one, Billie Parker, Oklahoma City P.D. #14723, requesting advice as to whether Billie Parker is identical with Bonnie Parker, Barrow's female associate.

It is suggested that the desired information be obtained and furnished by your office, if possible, inasmuch as I know of no available sources through which the identification might be made in the New Orleans Office territory. I am unable to determine by a comparison of the photographs forwarded by you of Bonnie Parker with the photograph of Billie Parker whether they are of the same person. There appears to be some resemblance, although if they are the same, it appears that the photograph furnished by the Division was taken several years ago.

Very truly yours,

*E. Whitley*

E. Whitley,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Division

26-404-183	
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE	
JAN 19 1934	
DALLAS OFFICE	
	<i>W. H. [initials]</i>

Nacogdoches Tex  
11/17/34

Memo,

26/H114

James D. Marks, in Charge of Civil  
Relief Work for Nacogdoches County, whom  
Agent has known for many years stated  
that he has a number of Time Keepers down  
in the Martinsville and Attygaa section of the  
County, but only one whom he knows well  
enough to have confidence in a Mr. Marks sent  
to Martinsville for that Time Keeper, but the  
roads are in such condition his messenger  
could not reach the Time Keeper. He stated  
he would have this man contact Chief  
of Police Tom Spruay when he comes into  
Nacogdoches next time.

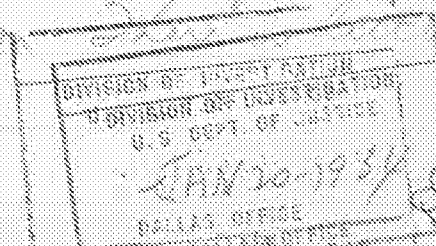
Spruay will endeavor to enlist the  
C.R.W. Time Keeper's assistance in watching  
for strangers and cars visiting the "Munkelongs"  
and Martins in the vicinity of Martinsville, and  
keep the Dallas Office informed.

Sheriff Carl Butler, Nacogdoches, stated  
26-H114-184

Sam Walker - former County Commissioner, McPherson  
has heretofore given information to Sheriff Carl Butler  
Barrows and other strangers visiting the  
Jim Truckhorn farm. Sheriff Carl Butler  
has two or three men in the vicinity of  
Madingville who have promised to report to  
him the appearance of any strangers and  
the make, description and license numbers  
on their cars. That some of the relatives down  
in that neighborhood have sent him mis-  
information regarding suspicious persons and  
have been in there, but when he gets informa-  
tion which he can rely upon, he will furnish  
descriptions etc. to the Dallas Office.

I also talked with Chief of Police  
Ralph Chaney and Sheriff H. R. Bellinger  
at Lufkin in connection with Barrow. They  
of course say they are doing and will continue  
to do everything possible to get a line on Clyde and  
will cooperate with the Division. I have no  
hope of anything from them.

26-4114-184



420 Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

January 22, 1934.

Director,  
Division of Investigation,  
U.S. Department of Justice,  
Washington, D.C.

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow,  
with aliases - FUGITIVE  
I.O. #1211; et al.  
K.A.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to Division letter of 1/16/34 addressed to the New Orleans office, and letter from the New Orleans office to this office dated 1/8/34 - concerning the identity of one BILLIE PARKER, Oklahoma City PD #14723, photograph of whom was transmitted to the Dallas office.

This photograph has been submitted to persons in Dallas, including Police officials, who know Bonnie Parker, and it is their opinion the photograph of Billie Parker, Oklahoma City PD #14723, is not that of Bonnie Parker.

For the information of the Division, Bonnie Parker has a sister known as Billie Parker. However, the sister Billie Parker is in Dallas at the present time. Her photograph is transmitted herewith to the Division, and no doubt her prints are available under Dallas PD #11723.

Very truly yours,

D.L. McCormack, Acting  
Special Agent in Charge.

DLM:JST  
cc New Orleans  
23-4114-  
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

## Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,  
Division of Investigation,  
U. S. Department of Justice,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 18, 1934, in connection with the case entitled CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, with aliases, Fugitive, I. O. #1211; et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Photographs of the latent prints appearing on the rear view mirror submitted by your office have been compared with the finger impressions of Clyde Champion Barrow, our #147077; Clarence Stevens, our #721527, Bonny Parker, our #80940, and Hubert Parker, whose fingerprints were submitted with your letter and in no instance have the latent prints been found to be identical with any of the finger impressions of the above named. It has been possible to classify one of these latent prints and it has been searched through the single fingerprint file maintained in the Division but no identification has been effected.

A search of the main fingerprint files of the Division discloses no previous criminal record with regard to Hubert Parker.

For the completion of your records there is being transmitted herewith a photograph of the latent prints appearing on the mirror.

Under separate cover there is being returned to your office the rear view mirror submitted.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

Director

Enclosure #8094054.

26-4114-186
DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JAN 22 1934
DALLAS OFFICE

Memo for file. Jan 22, 1934,  
26-4114-187

Upon information to this office  
by W. R. Wright, U. S. Marshal, to  
the effect that L. M. McKelvey,  
deputy U. S. Marshal, Wichita Falls  
had information to the effect that  
someone was going to sell Clyde  
Barrow a machine gun, this agent  
contacted McKelvey who advised  
that W. S. Sanford, a reputable  
citizen of Wichita Falls, had told  
him that he had received some  
information from a woman, that  
a man living in Burk Burnett,  
Texas, had a machine gun and  
that Clyde Barrow was coming  
after it next week - McKelvey  
stated that he had checked this  
matter up a Burk Burnett and  
had talked to one Marvin  
Bookbinder there who was

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thought to possess a machine gun - However, Bill Garland Chief Police at Bartlesville vouched for Bookbinder as a reputable citizen and upon talking to Bookbinder the only gun he owned was a 30-30 rifle and he knew nothing about Clyde Barrow -

W. S. Sanford, McKelvey's informant, was out of town and I could not talk to him -

McKelvey said he would try to learn something more definite and advise this office if anything developed -

C. E. McPar  
Special Agent

Re: Clyde Barrow

Dallas file 26-4114

Jan 24, 1934 -

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

FILE NO.

26-3082

REPORT MADE AT: <b>DALLAS, TEXAS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>5-6-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>4/29 &amp; 5/3/33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>H. T. ANTHERBURY.</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, alias CLYDE BARROW; BONNIE PARKER, alias MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW; L. C. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Clyde Barrow's signature, Dallas Identification Bureau file, not similar to handwriting Mr. &amp; Mrs. Roy Bailey on registration card Duncan Hotel, Pawhuska, Okla. Barrow Brothers not at Martinsville, Texas. Last seen at Greenville, Texas 9 AM, April 30, 1933, driving 1933 model Chevrolet Coach, license unknown. Left Greenville traveling east on highway #1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agents C. E. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, dated 3-6-33, and M. Sorola, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated 3-29-33.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT MARTINSVILLE, TEXAS.</u></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Sheriff A. J. Thigpen, Ruston, Louisiana, advised Sheriff Carl Butler, Macgödoches, Texas, by long distance telephone early Friday morning, April 28, to the effect that on the night before three men and two women traveling in a model V8 Ford Sedan, had abducted E. D. Darby and Miss Sophie Stone of Ruston, Louisiana, at Nico, Louisiana, situated 18 miles northeast of Ruston; that the couple was released sometime during the night about six miles south of Waldo, Arkansas; that Mr. Darby and Miss Stone readily identified the photographs of Clyde and Buck Barrow as being two of their abductors; Miss Stone stated she believed the third man with the alleged Barrow Brothers was Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd. Miss Stone advised that the third man in the car resembled the photograph of Floyd, but sheriff Thigpen advised he attached little faith to the third man being Floyd.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Sheriff Thigpen further advised that he received information that the Barrow Brothers and their associates were in Logansport, La., on the morning of April 29, and that it was believed they crossed the Sabine River</p>			
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Bridge driving into Texas.

Sheriff Carl Butler of Macogoches and Sheriff Jess Samples of Centre, Texas, organized a posse of peace officers and covered all the highways in that vicinity leading from Logansport to Texas points near the Texas Louisiana Line, but no information could be had whatsoever.

Sheriff Thigpen advised Sheriff Butler that he received his information that these parties were in Logansport, on the morning of April 29, and that a man who travels for the Thompson Machine Gun Company, whose name could not be determined but who was supposed to reside in Waco, Texas, was thought to be the person who identified Clyde and Buck Barrow as being occupants of the car when it passed through Logansport, Louisiana, into Texas. Chief of Police Tom Drenny of Macogoches, stated he did not know the name of this Thompson Machine Gun Salesman, but that as he recalled he resided in Waco, Texas and as he remembered, was minus one hand or the fingers on one hand which he believed to be his right hand; that he was not interested in buying a Thompson Machine Gun and that he did not make a note of this salesman's name when he called on him a short time ago in Macogoches. He felt sure this was the same salesman supposed to have been in Logansport, La., and identified Clyde and Buck Barrow as being occupants of the bandit car which on the night previous had abducted Mr. Darby and Miss Stone as aforesaid.

On April 30, 1933, a posse of east Texas Peace Officers lead by Texas Ranger A. E. Bennett of Centre, Texas, and Sheriff Carl Butler of Macogoches, Texas, visited a number of towns throughout the day and called at a number of places in an effort to apprehend the Barrow Brothers as well as any others who might have been with them, but no information could be had that they were anywhere in that part of East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mackelroy, who reside at Martinsville, Macogoches County, Texas, and who are uncle and aunt of Clyde and Buck Barrow, advised that the Barrow Brothers had not visited in their home since the summer of 1932; that the Barrow family from Dallas, Texas, often visited them but that since they had become so notorious they did not want the Barrows to visit them again, and should they put in their appearance in that vicinity they would risk the consequences and immediately notify the local officers. Information was obtained from Mr. and Mrs. Mackelroy that the Barrow Brothers had a cousin named D. Brown, who resided in the Martinsville Community, but no information could be had there for the reason that Mr. Brown's home was locked up and the neighbors stated they had been away from home for several days.

#### AT GREENVILLE, TEXAS.

Sheriff D. M. Newton and Deputy Sheriff L. L. Porter and State Highway Patrolman G. C. Duff, Greenville, Texas, advised that Clyde and Buck Barrow had been positively identified as having taken breakfast in Greenville

between 8 & 9 o'clock on Sunday morning, April 30, 1933; that they stopped at the filling station operated by Walter Dean, who is personally acquainted with Clyde and Buck Barrow; that Dean advised them that Clyde and Buck Barrow purchased a tank full of gasoline for their 1933 model Chevrolet Coach and after a few minutes departed on highway #1, traveling east out of Greenville. Approximately a mile east of Greenville the Commerce-Cooper-Paris Highway leaves highway #1 and it is not known whether they proceeded on highway #1 leading towards Sulphur Springs, Mt. Pleasant and Texarkana, Texas, or whether they turned north on the Paris, Texas, Highway which leads into Hugo, Okla.

Deputy Sheriff L. L. Porter advised that he is a personal friend of Walter Dean; that Dean formerly operated a grocery store in Dallas, Texas, and that Mrs. Barrow, mother of Clyde and Buck, was a customer and that Clyde and Buck Barrow had been in his grocery store numerous times and that he could not be mistaken as to their identity. Deputy Sheriff Porter further advised that Walter Dean had confided to him that last Sunday morning, April 30, was the third visit the Barrow Brothers had paid him at his little filling station since the murder of the Joplin, Missouri, Officers a few weeks ago, and that the Barrow Brothers were believed to have been the killers.

Sheriff Newton and Deputy Sheriff Porter and other officers there have offered Mr. Dean every protection; that Dean is greatly worried and fears that the Barrow Brothers will return and kill him; that they warned him they would get him if he squealed.

Information was had on May 4, 1933, from the sheriff's office at Greenville, Texas, that they had Walter Dean's Filling Station and sandwich shop under surveillance since Clyde and Buck Barrow told Mr. Dean they would probably be back within the next three or four days and if they did they would stop and see him.

Deputy Sheriff Porter added that the writer remain away from Walter Dean's Filling Station and not interview him at this time; that they were attempting to handle the matter in a highly discreet manner and that they were going to give Mr. Dean every protection in the instant matter at their command.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE will interview Sheriff A. J. Thigpen at Ruston, La., for such information as it might be able to secure which would assist in the instant investigation, looking towards the apprehension of these parties.

SAN ANTONIO OFFICE - copies of this report are furnished the San Antonio Office with request that the first time an Agent is in the vicinity of Waco, Texas, will make inquiry at City Police Department, in an effort to determine the identity of the salesman for the Thompson Machine Gun Co. This party is believed to be the one who called Sheriff Thigpen at Ruston, La., and advised him that Clyde and Buck Barrow were recognized by him at Leguaport, La., on the morning of April 29.

DALLAS OFFICE will keep in touch with the Greenville, Texas Sheriff's Department, and particularly Deputy Sheriff L. L. Porter, who is personally directing the instant matter for the Sheriff's Department at Greenville, Texas, and who advised that Clyde and Buck Harrow were positively in Greenville, Texas, on Sunday morning, April 30.

Dallas Office will confer with the Dallas Police Department and Dallas County Deputy Sheriff Bill Decker, who are cooperating in the instant matter.

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224 Federal Bldg.,  
Oklahoma City, Okla.,  
May 8, 1933.

RHC:GME  
25-3779.

Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow, with aliases  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated May 8,  
1933, submitting photograph made from a film developed at  
Joplin, Mo., which picture is of one Clyde Barrow and of a per-  
son suspected of being "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

The picture you forwarded has been submitted to police  
officers at Oklahoma City and to the Identification Bureau of  
the Oklahoma City Police Department, which resulted in diverse  
opinions as to whether or not the second subject in the picture  
is Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd. No one seems to be able  
to definitely state pro or con.

I understand that Douglas E. Walsh, Superintendent of  
the Police Identification Bureau at Dallas, Texas, has expressed  
the opinion that the photograph is that of Floyd.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Bureau  
cc-Detroit  
cc-St. Louis.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
MAY 9 - 1933	
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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Detroit

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FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT: <u>San Antonio, Tex.</u>	DATE WHEN MADE: <u>May 11 '33</u>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <u>5/10/33</u>	REPORT MADE BY: <u>J. H. Rice</u>
TITLE: <u>CLYDE CHRISTIAN BARROW with alias</u> <u>BONNIE PARKER with alias</u> <u>L. C. BARROW</u> <u>RAYMOND HAMILTON</u>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <u>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</u>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Guy B. Harrison, Sr., 718 North 20th Street, Waco, Texas, salesman, Peters Cartridge Company, former Salesman Thompson Machine Gun Company, at Logansport, La. April 22, 1933. Did not see subjects, but was informed by City Marshal W. W. Lewis, Logansport, that one of the Barrow boys visited Drug Store where he was engaged in conversation with druggist. R.H.C.

Reference: Report of Special Agent H. T. Arterberry, Dallas, Tex. 5/8/33.

**DETAILS:**

Agent ascertained from Hollis Barron, Chief of Police, Waco, Texas, that Guy B. Harrison, Sr. at present salesman, Peters Cartridge Company, former salesman Thompson Machine Gun Co. resided at 718 North 20th Street, Waco, Texas.

Guy B. Harrison, Sr. was interviewed at his residence by Agent. Mr. Harrison stated that he was formerly with the Thompson Machine Gun Co., but now is a salesman for Peters Cartridge Co. and was calling on customers at Logansport, La. the morning of April 22, 1933; that between the hours of 9 A.M. and 10 A.M. a ~~Mr. Black~~, Jeannin Wholesale Grocery Co., Jeannin, Texas, and he were engaged in a conversation with a druggist, in the rear of a drug store, this drug store being located in the first block on the right as you enter Logansport, after crossing the Sabine River from the Texas side; that while engaged in conversation they heard someone enter the drug store and talk to the boy at the soda fountain; that neither of them paid any attention as to who the party might be; that about 10 minutes later W. W. Lewis, City Marshal, Logansport, made inquiry at the drug store relative to the party who had just visited the store; that by this time the druggist, Mr. Black and he walked to the front of the store and ~~the boy at the~~

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soda fountain describe to the City Marshal the party who had made inquiry for a morning edition of the Shreveport paper, stating that he left in a black V-8 Ford Sedan with yellow painted wheels and that there were two women and another man in the car. The City Marshal told them that it was the Barrow boys who were in the car.

Mr. Harrison further advised that the City Marshal immediately notified all peace officers in that section to be on the lookout for the Barrow boys who were driving a black V-8 Ford Sedan and that the same day while at Macgloches, Tex. he advised the City Marshal of that place of the above.

Mr. Harrison stated that he would be unable to identify the party who came into the store at Logansport the morning of April 29th last and that he did not believe that either the druggist or Mr. Black would be able to do so, but that the boy at the soda fountain might be able to furnish some information.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

New Orleans Office: At Logansport, La. when an Agent is in the vicinity of Logansport will make an appropriate inquiry at the drug store mentioned in this report as it is believed that possibly the boy employed at the soda fountain might be able to identify the party who made inquiry at the drug store. Will also contact City Marshal for any available information he might have.

Referred upon completion.



# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

FILE NO. 86-4509

REPORT MADE AT: Detroit, Michigan	DATE WHEN MADE: 5/10/33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/5/33	REPORT MADE BY: R. H. DONALDSON
TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPTON BARROW alias BOY RAILER; L. C. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON; BONNIE PARKER alias MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW			CHARACTER OF CASE: NAT'L MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The State Police at East Lansing, Michigan have no information as to whereabouts of Subjects in this case. Descriptions of each Subject together with criminal records were left at that point. Further undeveloped leads set forth for various offices.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-2-</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent M. Corola, Oklahoma City dated 5/29/33; also report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, Dallas, Texas dated 5/6/33.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT EAST LANSING, MICHIGAN</u></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Inquiry with respect to Subjects in this report was made at the Michigan State Police Barracks where Sergeant William Watkins was interviewed. Sergeant Watkins stated that he was familiar with the fact that these Subjects are wanted in Texas by reason of being associated with the Sheriff at Midland, Michigan last March in connection with the apprehension of Raymond Hamilton and Gene O'Dare. He further stated that the State Police still have the matter of apprehending these persons in mind for the Texas authorities and that only several days ago Frank Walsh, who was the informant responsible in the apprehension of the aforementioned persons, called at the State Police Barracks at Lansing and indicated that he might be able to get some information on Subject Clyde Barrow and Pretty Boy Floyd, the notorious bank bandit. The overtures made by Walsh, according to Sergeant Watkins, were more in the nature of getting some money advances than the supplying of actual information at the present time. The Sergeant states that no particular encouragement was afforded Walsh, but that they still in-</p>			
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tend to keep in touch with him and if, at a later date it should prove that he can give valuable information, then some consideration as to expenses for him will be given and also any rewards that may be recovered will be shared with him.

Lieutenant H. E. Ericson of the Identification Bureau, Michigan State Police, was furnished with copies of the descriptions and criminal records of these persons so that same will be available in his file. It will be noted that photographs of the Subjects in this matter have been procured and furnished the Sheriff at Midland, Michigan and Mt. Pleasant, Michigan as it was in this vicinity that these persons lived last year.

In reviewing the file it appears that Subjects have handled unlawfully four automobiles, one of which seems to be an intrastate matter. The following tabulation relative to these cars was taken from the reports in the Detroit office:

Car No.	Description	Owner	Stolen		Recovered	
			Date	Place	Date	Place
1	?	?	?	Grand Prairie, Tex.	?	Wharton, Texas
2	Ford V8 Motor 817743	C. H. Hawkins Victoria, Tex.	8/15/32	Victoria, Texas	?	Carthage, Missouri
3	Ford Deluxe Coupe, Motor A1878100	Dr. E.L. Dameron Effingham, Ill.	9/2/32	Effingham, Illinois	9/19/32	Pawhuska, Okla.
4	1932 V8 Ford Sedan Motor 1486	Charles Trough Pawhuska, Okla.	9/18/32	Pawhuska, Oklahoma	9/30/32	Jackson, Mich.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: The ST. LOUIS OFFICE at EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS is requested to display photographs of Subjects herein to Dr. Dameron at that place, whose car was stolen and taken to Oklahoma. It is noted that the Doctor saw a suspicious person near his car a few minutes before it was stolen and stated he could identify a photograph of said person. The color of this car should also be obtained. Reports indicate that Subjects were seen in a maroon colored Ford Coupe in Texas and Oklahoma, which is possibly the Doctor's car. Inquiry should be made at the Police Department in Effingham to ascertain if any stolen cars were recovered in that City on or

about the date of the theft of Dr. Dameron's car, 8/2/32. Photographs of Raymond Hamilton, Gene O'Dare, Stacy Bainbridge, Alton Carroll Rayburn and Clyde Champion Harrow are attached to the St. Louis copies of this report and should be returned to the Detroit Office.

The SAN ANTONIO OFFICE is requested to secure from the authorities at Wharton, Texas a description of the automobile recovered at that place, which has been stolen by Subjects at Grand Prairie, Texas. This office is also requested to obtain motor number of the Ford stolen at Victoria, Texas 8/15/32 and if possible, name of officer recovering same at Carthage, Mo.

The DALLAS OFFICE is requested to make known the results of information obtained by carrying out the lead in the report of Special Agent M. Sorola, Oklahoma City dated March 29, 1933, wherein inquiry is suggested at the Dallas Police Department. Inquiry should also be made at Grand Prairie, Texas relative to the automobile stolen at that place and later recovered at Wharton, Texas. It does not appear that a description of this car has ever been obtained or any information relative to its theft and while this car moved intrastate only, inquiry with respect to its unlawful transportation may reflect some helpful information in connection with other cars herein. Special attention is called to the report of Special Agent C. R. Davis, San Antonio dated 3/30/33.

The KANSAS CITY OFFICE at CARTHAGE, MISSOURI is requested to obtain available information including date of recovery of the Ford automobile which was stolen at Victoria, Texas 8/15/32. In order to avoid unnecessary expense in connection with carrying out this lead, it is suggested that same be either held in abeyance until report has been received from San Antonio giving motor number of the car and name of officer or person recovering same, or this information may be obtained by correspondence with the Carthage, Missouri Police Department on the information now available.

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224 Federal Bldg.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

May 17, 1933

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Special Agent in Charge  
United States Bureau of Investigation  
Post Office Building  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Sir:

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow with alias, et al  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act

Reference is made to your letter dated May 10, 1933, with which was forwarded a photograph of Clyde Barrow and another individual with request that investigation be made at Tulsa, Oklahoma in order to determine whether the individual with Barrow in this photograph is Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd.

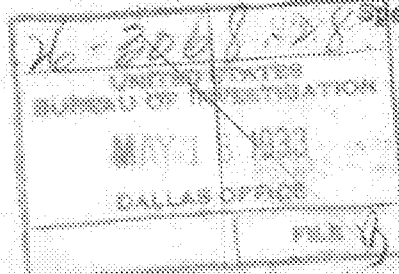
In accordance with your request Special Agent H. E. Hollis of this office has made investigation at Tulsa, Oklahoma, exhibiting the photograph of the individual with Barrow to W. H. Morgan and Harry Kiskaddon of the Identification Bureau, Tulsa Police Department, and they stated positively that the photograph was not that of Floyd. The photograph was also exhibited to Chief of Detectives H. D. Moran and other officers of the Tulsa Police Department and they all stated that the photograph was not the photograph of Floyd.

The photograph of Barrow and the other individual is returned herewith.

Very truly yours,

Inc.  
cc: Bureau

H. E. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.



420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

May 19, 1933.

Mr. G.J.S. Walker,  
Sheriff,  
McKinney, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

In September, 1932, Ford Deluxe Coupe bearing motor #A-1878100, theretofore stolen in Illinois, was recovered abandoned near Pashuma, Oklahoma, at which time it bore 1932 Texas License #21803. We have established that this car was abandoned by Clyde Champion Barrow and his woman Bonnie Parker after they had been visiting in Texas.

It is requested, therefore, that you kindly check to ascertain to whom the 1932 license plates were issued as it is our understanding this is a Collin County License. It may be the license plates were obtained for Barrow through some connection or, of course, may have been stolen from someone's car.

Kindly advise the results of your investigation in this matter, and for your convenience in replying there is enclosed a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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*Castrop*

U. S. Department of Justice

Bureau of Investigation

420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

May 19, 1933.

Mr. G.J.S. Walker,  
Sheriff,  
McKinney, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

In September, 1932, Ford Deluxe Coupe bearing motor #A-1578100, theretofore stolen in Illinois, was recovered abandoned near Pawhuska, Oklahoma, at which time it bore 1932 Texas License #21863. We have established that this car was abandoned by Clyde Champion Barrow and his woman Bonnie Parker after they had been visiting in Texas.

It is requested, therefore, that you kindly check to ascertain to whom the 1932 license plates were issued as it is our understanding this is a Collin County License. It may be the license plates were obtained for Barrow through some connection or, of course, may have been stolen from someone's car.

Kindly advise the results of your investigation in this matter, and for your convenience in replying there is enclosed a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage.

Very truly yours,

*26-4114-34*

*P. J. Beane*

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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*This letter should be mailed to the Sheriff of Bastrop Co. as the license plates were issued there. Thanking  
A. S. Spaulding Sept 1*

# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

DETROIT

EX FILE NO. 26-4397-

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

REPORT MADE AT: Kansas City.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-27-1933	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5-24-1933	REPORT MADE BY: V. P. THAINOR      abc
TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW alias Roy Bailey L. C. BARROW; RAYMOND HAMILTON; BONNIE PARKER, alias Mrs. Clyde (Bonnie) Barrow.			CHARACTER OF CASE: National Motor Vehicles Theft Act

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Clyde Champion Barrow and party known as Melvin Ivan Barrow, together with two women, resided near Joplin, Missouri, for several weeks prior to April 13, 1933, on which date they engaged in a pistol battle with officers, killing a police detective and a constable. Parties immediately left Joplin and present whereabouts unknown. Ford V-8 Sedan, motor number probably 817768, value \$500.00, recovered near Carthage, Mo., deserted, about August 20, 1932, by local officers. Ford V-8 Coach, motor number 18-74026, stolen Carthage, Missouri, August 18, 1932. Later recovered Springfield, probably handled by Subjects. Indications these Subjects recently at Jackson, Minnesota, engaged in bank robbery. 1933 Model Ford V-8 Coach, motor number 18231402, stolen Streator, Illinois, recovered Butler, Missouri, 5-21-33, completely burned, original value, \$600.

**DETAILS:**

**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent  
E. E. Donaldson, Detroit,  
Michigan, 5-10-1933.

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2. DETAILS:

At Carthage, Missouri.

Mr. Otis Wheeler, Police Officer, former deputy sheriff, stated that he and former Sheriff Harry D. Stephens, recovered a Ford V-8 Sedan in a corn field sometime during the latter part of August, 1932, about 12 miles northeast of Carthage, Missouri. The car was deserted and at the time of its recovery, it was believed that it might be identical with a car of similar description stolen about that date at Carthage from a party named D. E. Parks. However, it developed from a tracing of the ownership of the car that it was stolen at Victoria, Texas. The value of the car recovered by Mr. Wheeler was said by him to be \$500.00. Correspondence was had by the then Sheriff with the police at Victoria, Texas, and ownership was established and the car recovered. No records of the motor number are now available through the office of the Sheriff at Carthage, as Agent found upon investigation, and neither of the officers in question who recovered it kept any notes. However, former Sheriff Stephens stated that his correspondence was sent to the police at Victoria, Texas, and he could identify said correspondence, which bore the motor number at the time of the recovery.

The reference report is the only data which the Kansas City office has regarding this case, and same does not disclose complete facts. It is believed that the motor number of the car stolen at Victoria, Texas, namely, 817762(V-8) may be incorrect as shown in the reference re-

(Ford)

port, since it appears that the prefix number 18 should have been shown, and that there would probably be more than four digits in the motor number after the 18. However, this matter is left for the office of origin to determine, through its complete file.

Mr. Wheeler further advised that while he kept no records of the theft report of the car belonging to D. E. Parks of Carthage, he understood that it was recovered some place in Illinois shortly after its theft, and that the car was stolen about three days before he recovered the car which was deserted near Carthage. He referred Agent to Mr. Parks.

Mr. D. E. Parks, 717 Olive Street, Carthage, Missouri, stated that on or about August 15, 1932, a Ford V-8 Coach, which was his property, was stolen from in front of his residence by parties unknown about 8 p.m. That the car was later recovered at Effingham, Illinois, and was returned to him, but found to be in such condition that the insurance company relieved him of the car and paid a sum in cash, which was applied on a new car. The car was turned over to the Darrow Motor Company at Carthage at the time of its return to Carthage from Effingham. Mr. Parks stated that he does not have any



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records to show the motor number of the car, but that he had assigned his certificate of title to the car to the Barrow Motor Company, which company later sold the car to a subsequent purchaser. The original certificate of title of Mr. Parks would be filed at this time in the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Jefferson City, Missouri. Mr. Parks stated that at the time the car was parked in front of his residence shortly before its theft, same had been in possession of his son, Norman Parks, and that the keys were in the car when stolen; that no one was given permission to drive it, as Norman Parks will state. Norman Parks was not available for interview at this time.

At Joplin, Missouri.

At the office of the Western Adjustment and Inspection Company, Agent examined the file concerning the car stolen from D. E. Parks, 717 Olive Street, Carthage, Missouri, and found that the car is Ford V-8 Coach, 1932 Model, Motor No. 18-74026. The adjustment company's records concerning investigation at the time of the theft of the car showed identical facts concerning the manner of disappearance of the car as those above mentioned. It is shown that the car was stolen on August 18, 1932, about 3:15 p.m.; that there were 2700 miles on the speedometer at the time of its theft; that it bore Missouri, 1932, License Tags, No. 229-026, registered in the name of D. E. Parks, Carthage, Missouri, who held Missouri Certificate of Title No. 3545352; that the car was recovered later near Effingham, Illinois, September 11, 1932, by Sheriff John Boos of Effingham, the car having been found deserted about twelve miles from Effingham. It is also shown that after recovery of the car, it was traded in to the Barrow Motor Company, and the Home Insurance Company, which covered the loss, paid Mr. Parks in cash for the damage to the car over and above the salvage allowance which was made on the recovered car.

In connection with this investigation at Carthage, Missouri, Agent was advised by Otis Wheeler, Police Officer, that thru correspondence had with Victoria, Texas, Police, it was ascertained that the Barrow gang had been reported responsible for the theft of the car stolen at Victoria. Mr. Wheeler suggested that the theft of Parks' car had also been probably performed by the same people. He also informed Agent that the Barrows were the identical parties who murdered Police Detective Harry McGinnis, and a Constable named J. W. Harryman at Joplin, Missouri, on April 13, 1933.

At the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department discussion of this matter was had with Chief of Detectives Ed Partley, who furnished facts concerning the killing of the above mentioned officers. He stated that several weeks prior to April 13, 1933, two men and two women took up a residence immediately outside the city limits of Joplin toward Neosho, Missouri. That State Highway Patrolmen Gammart and Kayler of Joplin approached the Police Department with request for assistance in checking

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some automobiles, which were alleged to bear suspicious license tags at the residence of these parties; also, Constable J. W. Harryman of Neosho, Missouri, was interested in assisting the Highway Patrolmen. Police Detective Harry Mc Ginnis and Tom Degraff of Joplin, Missouri, proceeded with the other officers to the residence of the parties in question, and immediately upon arriving there, they saw one of the cars, namely, a V-8 Ford Sedan, being backed into a private garage near the house. Without warning, the two men who were in the garage opened fire and instantly killed J. W. Harryman. Harry Mc Ginnis and the other officers engaged in a short battle with the two men in the garage, and Mc Ginnis was shot several times, having died a few hours later. The other officers fled from the scene, being unprepared to stand battle, and the two men and women escaped in the Ford V-8 Sedan.

In the residence of the fugitives who committed the above acts were found certain personal effects which led to the discovery of the identity of Clyde Champion Barrow and Melvin Ivan Barrow, who both have criminal records. Photographs of each of these parties were secured and a circular was issued by the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department, which was placed in the hands of officers in every town over 1000 in population in various portions of the United States, including the northwest, middle west and southwest portions. Mr. Portley was unable to furnish a supply of the circulars issued, but Agent secured one from Police Detective Tom Degraff, hereinbefore mentioned. The photographs of Melvin Ivan Barrow and Clyde Champion Barrow are found on the circular. No photographs of the women who were living with these parties were obtained. Their descriptions by the officers who saw them are very limited, merely being that they were of medium size, one having red hair, and both being about 30 years of age.

The descriptions of Clyde Champion Barrow and Melvin Ivan Barrow as given on the circular are as follows:

NAME - CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW  
Alias - Roy Bailey

Age - 23 years  
Weight - 125 pounds  
Height - 5 ft. 7 in. 1/2  
Hair - dark brown, wavy  
Eyes - hazel  
Complexion - light  
Occupation - none

This man is very dangerous; his record shows that he has killed at least three or four men before this and participated in several highway robberies.

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**MELVIN IVAN BARROW**

Age - 31 years  
 Height - 5 ft. 5 in. EF  
 Weight - 110 pounds  
 Hair - chestnut  
 Eyes - maroon  
 Complexion - ruddy  
 Occupation - laborer  
 Home - Dallas, Texas.

This man was pardoned from the Texas Penitentiary on March 23, 1933, by Governor Ferguson.

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There is a \$1000.00 reward offered for the apprehension of these parties by the State of Missouri on charges of murder.

Since the Kansas City office does not have a description of the Subjects of the instant investigation, it could not be determined whether or not Melvin Ivan Barrow is probably identical with L. C. Barrow mentioned in the caption of this case.

Mr. Portley also advised that he noted in the press that at Jackson, Minnesota several days prior to May 20, 1933, two men and two women engaged in a bank robbery and were supposedly driving a 1933 Model Ford Coach. The parties were described in a manner similar to the descriptions of the Barrows mentioned in the circular.

Also Mr. Portley advised that he understands through certain information furnished him by Oklahoma City police that the Barrow brothers, accompanied by two women, kidnaped two people at Ruston, Louisiana, stealing their car and taking the parties to Wado, Oklahoma; that the car stolen in the incident just related was later found at Coleman, Texas, shot full of holes and deserted. Mr. Portley understood that an investigation was being made by the Oklahoma City office and the Dallas office of the United States Bureau of Investigation on charges of kidnaping in the instant matter.

While at Butler, Missouri, Agent ascertained from State Highway Patrolman Charles P. Newman, stationed at Nevada, Missouri, that a Ford, 1933 Model, V-8 Coach had been recovered near that place burned and shot full of holes about May 20, 1933; that the car bore no license tags and upon investigation was found to have been stolen at Streator, Illinois.

Agent examined the Ford, 1933 Model, V-8 Coach at the Chevrolet Garage, Butler, Missouri, where it was placed after recovery by Bert Bradley, Sheriff of Butler, who was not available for interview. The motor number on the burned car was found to be 18-231602. Value of this car in good condition would be \$600.00. However, the car is now totally burned and the amount of its value is problematical.

It was found, upon inquiry, that Roger Hunt, 512 W. Ohio Street, Butler, Missouri, on the evening of May 20, 1933, was traveling in his car near Spruce, Missouri, which is about nine miles east of Butler; that he saw the two men, and at least one woman, in a 1933 Model Ford Coupe, bearing what he believed to be Kansas 1933 tags, the first number in the license being "1" - believed that the tag was a Wyandotte County tag; however, it may be stated here that Illinois 1933 license tags and Kansas license tags are identical in appearance, both being white letters on a blue background, being the same width tags and the same shaped letters. Mr. Hunt stated that it is quite probable that he could have been mistaken, and that the tag which he saw was an Illinois tag. He stated that when the parties were first seen by him, they were coming out of the timber near Spruce, Missouri. He was shown the photographs of Clyde Champion Barrow and Melvin Ivan Barrow on the circular issued by the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department, and stated that while the parties might be identical with the men he saw, he did not pay close attention to the individuals and would not, therefore, be able to identify them. However, he described the men as being approximately 30 years of age, slender build and being probably 5 ft. 7 in. in height. Both men were standing beside the Ford Coupe at the time he saw them, and then got into the car, keeping the doors open while he departed. Their actions appeared quite suspicious and may indicate that they were awaiting an attack by officers. - Mrs. Roger Hunt was unable to furnish any additional information.

It was ascertained from Highway Patrolman Newman that the burned Ford Coach, motor number 18-231602, was recovered near Spruce, Missouri, in a patch of timber, and that a party, whose name he does not know, but believes to be Norland, who resides in the general vicinity of Spruce, had ridden a horse by the scene of the burning of the Ford Coach and saw two men and one or two women take from the burning Ford Coach baggage and other personal effects and place same in a new Ford Coupe and drive away. Since Mr. Norland's address is unknown, and the Sheriff at Butler was not expected to return for an indefinite period during the day of this investigation, a further call will be made on him, when an Agent is again in that vicinity. Meanwhile, additional information concerning this case will be secured from the office of origin for information in the Kansas City file.

The circular of the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department is being forwarded herewith to the Detroit office. It will be requested of that office that identification of Melvin Ivan Barrow be made to determine whether or not he is identical with L. C. Barrow of instant case.

Pursuant to the data mentioned in the circular issued by the Joplin, Mo., Police Department, a WANTED NOTICE is being placed in Subjects' Barrows identification files of this Bureau, by letter from the Kansas City office.

Telephonically, the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department was advised of the developments at Butler, Missouri, for information of that department as a means to tracing the location of the Barrows on the murder charge, as the circumstances indicate that they are probably identical with the parties who deserted the Ford Coach at Spruce, Missouri.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DETROIT OFFICE is requested to furnish complete information regarding personal and criminal history of the Subjects in this case and to advise the Kansas City office whether or not Melvin Ivan Barrow and Clyde Champion Barrow, shown in the circular from the Joplin, Missouri, Police Department are identical with the Subjects in this case.

Please furnish to the St. Louis, Chicago, Kansas City, New Orleans, Oklahoma City and Dallas offices photog raphs of the Subjects in this case, if they are identical with the parties mentioned in the circular from the Joplin Police Department.

THE ST. LOUIS OFFICE at Effingham, Illinois, will kindly interview John Boos, Sheriff, regarding his recovery of Ford V-8 Coach, Motor Number 18-74026.

THE SAN ANTONIO OFFICE at Victoria, Texas, is requested to consult police to secure copies of correspondence with Sheriff Harry D. Stephens, Carthage, Missouri, regarding the recovery of Ford V-8 Sedan, mentioned in this and the reference report as motor number 817768 (probably erroneously shown.)

THE CHICAGO OFFICE is requested to consult the police at Streator, Illinois, concerning the theft of Ford 1933 Model V-8 Coach, Motor Number 18-231602, in endeavor to secure all details concerning the identity of the thieves. Kindly ascertain the name and address of the owner of the car and interview him for particulars as to the theft.

THE ST. PAUL OFFICE at JACKSON, Minnesota, is requested to secure the particulars of identity of the parties who staged a bank robbery at that place shortly before May 20, 1933, in an endeavor to identify them with the Subjects in this case.

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Copies of this report are being furnished to the DALLAS, OKLAHOMA CITY and NEW ORLEANS OFFICES for information only at the present time, as further investigative action may be requested at a later date of these offices.

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Butler, Missouri, upon receipt of the photographs of the subjects in this case will interview Sheriff Bert Bradley for full details as to his recovery of Ford Coach, Motor Number 18-231602, and will also interview the party named Harland, near Spruce, Missouri, displaying photographs for the purpose of identifying the parties, if possible, as Clyde Champion Barrow and others, who may have left that car near Spruce at the time it was burned.

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Memo:

It is thought that the unknown person, who appears in the photograph with Clyde Barrow is one

Hubert B. Leigh

Oklahoma State Reformatory,  
Granite, Okla., No. 7436.

Received at that institution  
11/4/29. from Creek County  
Charge Burglary.

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This information was given by a prisoner,  
confidentially, and relayed to Doug. Wabak,  
F.P. Expert, Dallas P.D.

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## Bureau of Investigation

1816 Smith Young Tower  
San Antonio, Texas.  
May 31, 1933.

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Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

RE: FORD COACH, Motor #222833

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of May 24, 1933, relative to Clyde Champion Barrow, Mrs. Clyde Barrow, with alias, et al, and Ford Coach Motor #222833.

You are advised that photographs of Clyde Barrow, Buck Barrow and the unknown person in the photograph with Clyde Barrow have been exhibited to the officials present at the time the First National Bank, San Marcos, Texas, was held up on May 22, 1933, and none of them could identify the pictures as being that of any of the participants in the hold-up.

You are advised that photograph of Marion Alexander Carraway, San Antonio Police #8666 has been positively identified as participating in the hold-up, photograph of Douglas Childress, San Antonio Police No. 3319 has been partially identified and Hobby Stenson alias R. C. Tipton, Fort Worth Police No. 5035 has also been partially identified.

The photographs furnished this office by you have been reproduced by the San Antonio Police Department and all peace officers in this section have been furnished with copies. The San Antonio Police Department was very glad to get these pictures as they are full length pictures and more valuable for identification purposes than the ordinary police "mug" pictures.

Very truly yours,

Gus T. Jones,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

FILE NO.

26-3022-31

REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 5-21-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 5/15-20/33	REPORT MADE BY: C. E. WINSTAD.
TITLE: CRIMINAL; CLYDE CLAMTON BARNER, alias BOY BAILER; MRS. BOY BARNER (nee DOMINIC BARNER), alias MRS. CLYDE BARNER.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Complaint filed against Barner at Dallas, Texas, May 20, 1933. Clyde Barner, together with Marvin (Black) Barner murdered 2 officers at Joplin, Mo., April 15, 1933. April 27, 1933, they kidnaped L. D. Larky and Sophie Stone, at Miss, La., after stealing Larky's car, but released Larky and Miss Stone near Faldo, Ark.

## REFERENCE:

Reports of Special Agents R. E. Hollis, Oklahoma City, dated 12-22-32; F. W. Allen, St. Louis, Mo., dated 1-27-33; C. E. Winstead, Dallas, Texas, 5-6-33; R. T. Arterbury, Dallas, Texas, dated 5-6-33; F. C. Dunn, Dallas, Texas, 5-11-33 - (captioned Ford Coupe, Mr. (REDACTED)).

## DETAILS:

### AT DALLAS, TEXAS.

On authority of Assistant United States Attorney, Mrs. W. C. Monahan, a complaint was filed before United States Commissioner Smith at Dallas, Texas, May 20, 1933, charging Clyde Clamton Barner and Mrs. Boy Barner, nee Dominic Barner, with having on or about September 16, 1932, transported in interstate commerce, from Dallas, Texas, to a point at or near Muskogee, Oklahoma, Ford Coupe, motor (A-157410), knowing the same to have been theretofore stolen from Dr. R. L. Hanson, at Effingham, Ill.

On or about March 25, 1933, Marvin (Black) Barner was released from the Texas State Penitentiary on a parole. According to Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff Bill Becker, Dallas, Texas, on the night of March 25, 1933, subjects Clyde Barner and Dominic Barner were at the home of Mrs. Ouida Barner in West Dallas, with an unknown man; that this man is a large man and favors "Pretty Boy" Floyd; that on that night these persons, Clyde or Black Barner,

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26-4114-35

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Bonnie Parker, and the unknown man, went to near Wilmer, Texas, to the home of Mrs. Lillian Marcus. Mrs. Marcus is the mother of Bonnie or Bernice Barrow, Buck Barrow's wife.

Mrs. Lillian Marcus lives with one Rodge Horton, and they have recently moved to route #2, Ferris, Texas.

Mr. Becker, through an informant, has been informed that Buck's wife will correspond with her mother regardless of where she may be or the consequences. She is reported to have left this community with her husband.

On April 12, 1935, two officers at Joplin, Mo., while undertaking to locate persons in that town suspected of burglary, called at a house there and were murdered by being shot down without warning. Investigators disclosed that Clyde Barrow was one of the murderers in that case, and the Missouri Officers have proceeded on the theory that the killing was done by the two Barrow brothers. However, films found in a hotel at the house in Joplin where the shooting occurred, afterwards developed, bore photographs of Clyde Barrow with Bonnie Parker, one of Bonnie Parker, and one of Clyde Barrow and an unknown man, who bears a marked resemblance to photographs of Charles "Pretty Boy" Floyd. A copy of this photograph has been furnished the Oklahoma City Bureau Office for submission to officers in Oklahoma City and Tulsa for identification. This action resulted in diverse opinions among members of the Oklahoma City Police Department, but with positive assertions on the part of members of the Tulsa Police Department to the effect that the unknown person is not Floyd.

Attention is called to statement of Jim Buchalmy, in reference report of Agent Winstead, wherein Mr. Buchalmy tells of Clyde Barrow's two companions visiting at the Buchalmy home about one month prior to the visit of Clyde, Bonnie, L. G. and Mrs. Bonnie Barrow. And the two companions claimed to be brothers, used the name of Smith, and were traveling in a Dodge Sedan.

On the night of April 27, 1935, E. D. Darty of Ruston, La., saw three men and two women steal his car. He induced Miss Sophie Stone also of Ruston to accompany him in her car for the purpose of following these parties. At Niss, Louisiana, the thieves held up Mr. Darty and Miss Stone, kidnapped them and early on the morning of April 28, near Tulsa, Ark., released them. Both Darty and Miss Stone positively identified photographs of Clyde and Buck Barrow as two of their abductors, and Miss Stone identified a photograph of "Pretty Boy" Floyd as the third member of the gang.

Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff Bill Becker, Dallas, also informed Agent that he recently has learned that the Barrows have a hideout in some camp near Ft. Smith, Ark., but has not been able to get the exact location.

Under date of May 12, 1935, the local Dallas papers reported that a gang consisting of two young women and two men, attempted to hold up and rob the Lawrence State Bank at Lawrence, Indiana, and that one of the women bandits

sprayed a crowd with bullets from an automatic rifle and wounded a Miss Ethel Winters and Mrs. Doris Minor. Bonnie Parker is a gun-crazy, and it was she probably who shot and killed the Ft. Worth Deputy Sheriff in Dallas on the night of January 6, 1935.

DEVELOPED LEADS:

KANSAS CITY BUREAU OFFICE at Joplin, Mo., will confer with local officers for information which may lead to the location of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

CHICAGO OFFICE will submit photographs of Clyde Barrow, Bonnie Parker and the unknown man to employees of the Reserve, Indiana, Bank for identification, the first time an Agent is in that vicinity.

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **DALLAS, TEXAS.**

FILE NO. **26-3182** **88**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>NEW ORLEANS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>5-31-33.</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>5/23-26/33.</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>L. A. KINDELL</b>
TITLE: <b>CHARGED: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON, alias BOY BAILLY; MELVIN IVAN BARRON; MRS. CLYDE BARRON (nee ROSSIE PARKER); MRS. MELVIN IVAN BARRON (nee ELAICHE CALDWELL); UNKNOWN SUBJECT.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Ford Coach, Motor 222,833, property of the Arkansas Natural Gas Corp., Shreveport, La., was stolen at Shreveport, La., March 23, 1933, and used by Barrow brothers and their wives in the kidnaping of E. B. Darby and Miss Sophie Stone, at Ruston, La., on 4-27-33. An unknown accomplice of the Barrow brothers stole Darby's Chevrolet Coach, Motor 2508830, which was recovered near McGhee, Ark. The latter car valued at \$350.00.

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**REFERENCE:**

Report of Special Agent F. S. Dunn, Dallas, Texas, 3-15-33, entitled - FORD COACH, MOTOR 222833.

**AT SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA.**

At the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation, Ardise Building, agent interviewed H. A. Calloway, Transportation Department, who advised that 1933 model V-8 Ford Coach, Motor 222,833, 1933 Louisiana License, 233-821, on 3-23-33, was the property of the aforementioned corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware; that on this date it was stolen from an employee of the company, A. E. Northcott, who had driven same to his residence, 322 Wilkinson, Shreveport, from where it was stolen from his driveway at about 12:20 p. m. Mr. Calloway advised that the car had not been returned and that he is a competent party to produce records of ownership which he exhibited to agent.

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A. E. Northcott verified the theft, which took place at Shreveport and not Ruston, Louisiana, as previously reported. Northcott advised, and the police records reflect, that the car was stolen 3-29-33, not 4-29-33.

AT RUSTON, LOUISIANA.

H. B. Darby, previously reported H. B. Darby, and Miss Sophie Stone, rooming at 401 North Trenton Street, advised as follows:

On April 27, 1933, at about 1:20 p. m., Mr. Darby parked his Chevrolet Coach, Motor #3806830, value \$350.00, by the side of his residence and shortly thereafter heard the motor started, and running out observed a lone man driving away. Miss Stone was on the front porch and she and Darby got into her car and gave chase. Just beyond Nico, Louisiana, the trail was lost and the two began their return trip to Ruston. In Nico, proper, they were stopped by two men and two women driving a Ford V-8 Coach, maroon color, and compelled to get into the latter car, the occupants stating that a pal of theirs had stolen the Chevrolet Coach. The kidnapers drove around the country for an hour or more endeavoring to locate their partner, finally driving to vicinity of Magnolia, Arkansas, where Darby and Miss Stone were let out. As the Ford Coach departed, the informants advised that they then noted the license number, and at the time, Darby put it down on a memorandum pad which he has since lost. However, Darby, at Magnolia, telephoned the number to Sheriff A. Thigpen at Ruston, who communicated with the authorities at Shreveport and learned the Ford had been stolen at Shreveport on 3-29-33. Only in this manner would the Sheriff have known that the Shreveport car was the one used in the kidnaping.

Miss Stone and Mr. Darby identified the photographs of Clyde Champion Barrow, (who drove the stolen Ford), Melvin Ivan Barrow, Mrs. Clyde Barrow, nee Bonnie Parker, and Mrs. Melvin Ivan Barrow, nee Blanche Caldwell, as the occupants of the stolen Ford.

Mr. Darby's car was recovered near McGhee, Arkansas, by the City Marshal of that town. Miss Stone's car was left at Nico, the kidnapers making no effort to drive it away.

Sheriff A. J. Thigpen stated that he had spent over \$125.00 in telephone calls in an effort to locate the kidnapers; that insofar as furnishing any lead, the kidnaping is "past history." He stated that the car used by the kidnapers was last seen in their possession at a small town near Logansport, Louisiana; that the quartet merely passed through Logansport and there is no definite lead for investigation at that point. He stated that he had learned from a confidential source that the Barrow brothers have an uncle residing near McGehee, Texas, and it is here that the brothers hide out after their crimes. Mr. Thigpen is positive that the kidnapers went into hiding here with the car, as it was not seen from the time it was observed in the small town near Logansport, in flight, until

it was recovered at Coleman, Texas. Thigpen advised it was traced right up to the Texas line seen by many persons, and all at once "dropped off the earth," lending credence to his belief that the Harrow brothers, and also "Pretty Boy" Floyd, have a hideout near the city named. It is noted that report of Special Agent H. T. Arterberry dated 3-6-33 at Dallas, Texas, in the case entitled - CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, alias CLYDE BARROW; et al; NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, locates an uncle, Jim Muckelroy, residing at Martineville, McCook County, Texas.

In the future, should Sheriff Thigpen receive any information of value, he will communicate with the New Orleans Office.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE: At McCook, Arkansas, will ascertain circumstances of recovery of Mr. Darby's Chevrolet Coach.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

## U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

June 1, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent C. B. Winstead, dated May 25, 1933, in the case entitled CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW alias BOY BAILEY; MRS. BOY HARDING (nee BONNIE PARKER), alias MRS. CLYDE BARROW, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, Dallas file #26-3066 (Detroit file #26-4509).

Subjects Barrow and Harding are apparently identical with the subjects of Dallas file #26-4114, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, entitled FORD COACH, MOTOR #222833, in the report of Special Agent F. S. Dunn of Dallas, dated May 15, 1933.

In view of the complaint filed against subjects Barrow and Harding at Dallas, Texas, on May 20, 1933, the Bureau desires that the above mentioned cases should be consolidated as Dallas case #26-4114, with Dallas considered as the office of origin.

The Detroit office will furnish Dallas with all pertinent reports in the case entitled CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW with alias, et al, NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT, Detroit file #26-4509.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. Hoover*  
Director.

cc-Detroit  
Chicago  
Kansas City

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# UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

FILE NO. 26-4508

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Detroit, Michigan.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>6-13-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>6-14-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>R. E. DONALDSON -ICM</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW alias BOY BAILEY L. C. BARROW                      RAYMOND HAMILTON BONNIE PARKER alias MRS. CLYDE (BONNIE) BARROW</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT</b>
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:      Photograph of Clyde Champion Barrow herewith supplied Chicago and Kansas City Offices. Pertinent report showing criminal history of subjects supplied interested offices.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">R.U.C.</p> <p>REFERENCE:-      Report of Special Agent W. F. Trainor, Kansas City, dated 5-27-33. Bureau letter dated 6-1-33.</p> <p>DETAILS:-</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">In accordance with the Bureau letter, cited in reference, the Detroit file has been inspected and it is found that the Dallas Office has been supplied with copies of all reports presently in the Detroit file.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">The bulletin supplied by the Kansas City Office showing photograph of Clyde Champion Barrow and Melvin Ivan Barrow, has been examined and it may be definitely stated that the photograph of Clyde Champion Barrow is identical with photographs of the subject of this case having a similar name. The Detroit office has no photograph or information heretofore bearing on Melvin Ivan Barrow but from previous data, supplied by the Dallas office, he is not identical with L. C. Barrow, but is probably a brother. The Detroit office has no photograph of L. C. Barrow or Bonnie Parker. There is, however, a photograph of Raymond Hamilton. A photograph of Clyde Champion Barrow is herewith supplied the Chicago Office and the bulletin received from the Kansas City Office is herewith returned to that office.</p> <p style="text-indent: 40px;">For the information of the Kansas City, Chicago and New Orleans Offices, a copy of the report of Spec. Agt. C. B. Winstead, Dallas, 5-6-33, is enclosed herewith. It appears from the Detroit file that St. Louis, New Orleans, Oklahoma City and Dallas Offices have necessary photographs in their files in these spaces.</p>			
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

Dallas, Texas.

St. Louis

FILE NO. 26-3740

REPORT MADE AT: St. Louis, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE: 6-16-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6-10-33	REPORT MADE BY: F. W. ALLEN. FWA:R.
TITLE: CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON, alias Roy Bailey. L. C. BARRON. RAYMOND HAMILTON. DORRIS PARKER, alias Mrs. Clyde (Bonnie) Barrow.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Ford V-8 Coach, valued at \$200.00, recovered in September, 1932 by Sheriff of Effingham, Ill., near that city. Dr. Dameron of Effingham, Ill., advises Subject Clyde Champion Barrow appears to be the person he observed loitering near his Ford Coupe when same was stolen at Effingham, Ill. Dr. Dameron cannot positively identify any of the subjects in this case from photographs.</p> <p align="center">RUC.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agent R. E. Donaldson, Detroit, Michigan, May 10, 1933, and Special Agent W. F. Trainer, Kansas City, Missouri, May 27, 1933.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT EFFINGHAM, ILLINOIS.</u></p> <p>Dr. E. L. Dameron of Effingham, Illinois, stated that his V-8 Ford Coupe which is involved in this case, is a dark maroon colored coupe with red wire wheels and with parking lights on the cowl; that at the time he recovered this car at Pawhuska, Oklahoma, the wheels had been painted black.</p> <p>Agent exhibited the photographs of Raymond Hamilton, Gene O'Dare, Elmer Bainbridge, Alton Carroll Rayburn, and Clyde Champion Barrow, to Dr. Dameron, and after he had observed these photographs for some time, he advised that Clyde Champion Barrow appeared to be the fellow whom he observed loitering near his car shortly before the same was stolen at Effingham, Illinois, but did not positively identify Barrow or any of the above persons.</p> <p>Sheriff John Boos of Effingham, Illinois, advised that he kept no records regarding the V-8 Ford Coach that he recovered near Effingham, but that he</p>			
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recalls it was some time in September, 1932 when a hunter, name unknown, advised him that he had observed a car in the corn fields about two miles east and one and one-half miles north of Effingham, Illinois. Sheriff Boos also stated that he went to this place and after searching around for some time, he found the instant Ford Coach; that all the tires on the car were flat and the car had sunk into the mud and that the mud had hardened, indicating that the car had been in that spot for some time; that he brought the car to Effingham, Illinois, where he turned it over to an insurance company who represented the owner, who resides in Carthage, Missouri,

Sheriff Boos further stated that this car was valued at approximately \$200.00.

The photographs which were forwarded to the St. Louis Bureau Office by the Detroit Office are being returned with this report to the latter office.

REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN.

420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

June 21, 1933.

Mr. C. T. Corry,  
Sheriff,  
Wellington, Texas.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, et al,  
Nat'l. Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sheriff Corry:

This office has been conducting investigation in connection with these subjects for some time, and having seen the account in the newspaper where you and Chief of Police P. K. Hardy were abducted on June 10 and the item relating that at some place - Eric, Oklahoma, - a third party was picked up by your abductors, it is very desirous of ascertaining whether or not the person picked up in Oklahoma is not in fact Robert Bleigh, who is a known confederate of the Barrows, and whose photograph I am herewith enclosing with the request that you endeavor, with Chief of Police Hardy, to definitely decide whether or not Bleigh is the person who was picked up by the Barrows in Oklahoma.

Thanking you for an early reply and trusting that any subsequent information you may get regarding the whereabouts of the Barrow Boys you will furnish to this office as soon as possible in order that it may be disseminated where it is believed it would do the most good, I am

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLANK,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

June 21, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
905 Federal Reserve Bank,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, alias  
Roy Bailey; MARVIN IVAN BARROW,  
alias BUCK BARROW; MRS. BONNIE  
BARBING, nee Bonnie Parker, alias  
Mrs. Clyde Barrow; ROBERT BLANCH.  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

From the modus operandi of the gangsters who recently  
murdered Special Agent Coffrey and others at Kansas City, Missouri,  
the following information concerning the above subjects is fur-  
nished:

On April 30, 1932, Clyde Barrow and others murdered a  
man in Hillsboro, Texas.

On May 12, 1932, robbery at Lufkin, Texas.

On August 1, 1932, robbery at Dallas, Texas.

On August 4, 1932, murder of deputy sheriff and wound-  
ing of sheriff at Stringtown, near Atoka, Oklahoma, at a dance.

On August 14, 1932, kidnapped deputy sheriff at Carls-  
bad, New Mexico.

On August 18, 1932, released Carlsbad Officer near San  
Antonio, Texas.

On August 18, 1932, stole a car at Victoria, Texas (later  
recovered at Carthage, Mo.)

On August 18, 1932, shot at deputy sheriff, Wharton, Texas.

On October 8, 1932, robbery at Abilene, Texas.

On October 11, 1932, murder and robbery at Sherman, Texas.

On January 8, 1933, murder, Ft. Worth Deputy Sheriff at  
Dallas, Texas.

On June 10, 1933, abducted sheriff and chief of police at  
Wellington, Texas. (Released them near Erie, Oklahoma, after picking  
up confederate.)

On April 13, 1933, murdered two officers at Joplin, Mo.

On June 12, 1933, suspected murder sheriff and state high-  
way patrolman near Columbia, Missouri, who sought to stop them while  
watching for persons who had held up and robbed a Mexico, Missouri,  
Bank.

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These men were closely pursued by Oklahoma and Texas Officers after they had murdered the deputy sheriff and wounded the sheriff of Atoka, Oklahoma, and made their way into Dallas where Barrow's mother resides, and sent word to officers at that time that Clyde intended to visit his mother whenever he got good and ready even if he had to shoot his way in and out of Dallas to do so.

On March 23, 1935, Buck Barrow was pardoned by Governor Ferguson and released from the Texas State Penitentiary. His mother recently informed Doug. Walsh, Superintendent of the Dallas City "I" Bureau, that she was sure Buck had not taken part in the murder of the two officers at Joplin, Missouri, as he had written her a letter shortly after that occurrence and stated that he and his wife were upstairs in their house at Joplin when the fight took place and that he had not participated. The photograph of one Hubert Bleigh was shown to Mrs. Barrow, and she stated she could not positively identify it as a photograph of a companion of Clyde's who visited at her home on one occasion, but that it might be the same man.

In former reports Bleigh has been referred to as unknown subject; however, on May 31, 1935, word came to Mr. Walsh out of the penitentiary from some inmate, that the companion of Clyde Barrow who has been mistaken on certain occasions as Chester (Pretty Boy) Floyd, was in fact a boy by the name of Hubert Bleigh who had served a term in the Oklahoma Reformatory at Granite, Oklahoma. The Granite Reformatory Records disclose that Hubert Bleigh, Oklahoma State Reformatory No. 7456; age 21 (1920); 5' 10 1/2"; 160 pounds; dark brown hair; brown eyes; ruddy complexion, was received 11-24-30 from Creek County, Oklahoma - crime burglary; sentence 3 years - discharged 2-3-31.

Deputy Sheriff Bill Becker of Dallas, has informed Agent Vinstead that he has received information that Clyde Barrow and companion have a hide-out at some camp in Hot Springs, Arkansas, but is unable to get an exact location thereof.

Two of Barrow's former companions, namely: Raymond Hamilton and Gene O'Dare, were apprehended at Midland, Michigan, on information furnished by one Frank Walsh, who, at that time, informed that he might be able to locate Clyde Barrow and Pretty Boy Floyd, who were supposed to be there at that time for the purpose of robbing a bank. It is thought that Walsh is, in fact, one Jack Rayburn, who with Stacy Bainbridge, are wanted in Palo Pinto, Texas, for bank robbery.

Former descriptions of Barrow show him to be about:

Age: 26-28 years  
Ht.: 5' 6"  
Wt.: 125  
Eyes: hazel  
Hair: black.

However, he was 18 years old in 1928, and the description heretofore furnished, gave his weight and height as at that time. A more accurate description of him would be:

Age: 18  
Ht.: about 5' 9 or 10"  
Wt.: about 150  
Eyes: hazel  
Hair: black  
Build: slender.

He is tattooed on both arms - a girl's bust on his left inner forearm.

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Description of Buck Barrow:

Age: 23 (1928)  
Ht.: 5' 5"  
Wt.: 110  
Hair: chestnut  
Eyes: maroon  
Comp.: ruddy  
Scars: Pit scar at elbow; pit scar at  
left side of neck, below ear.  
Bullet wound scar in one knee.

Robert Elsie's description:

Age: 23 (1928)  
Ht.: 5' 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "  
Wt.: 160  
Hair: dark brown  
Eyes: brown  
Comp.: ruddy  
Tattoo: Boy & girl with hands clasped.  
U & I right shoulder; 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  inch  
cut scar right cheek bone; 1 inch  
scar corner right eye.

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The following photographs are herewith furnished the Kansas City Bureau Office:

Photograph of Clyde Barrow and Hubert Bleigh, together.  
Two Oklahoma State Reformatory Photographs of Hubert Bleigh.  
Photograph and Fingerprint card of Marvin Ivan Barrow, alias Buck Barrow.  
Photograph of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker together.  
Photograph of Bonnie Parker.

The following photographs are herewith furnished to the St. Louis Bureau Office:

One photograph of Buck Barrow & his wife, with request that this photograph be returned to the Dallas Bureau Office when it has served its purpose.

Photograph of Bonnie Parker.  
Photograph of Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker together.  
Oklahoma Reformatory Photograph of Hubert Bleigh.

If there is any possibility of having the above photographs identified as the persons who committed the murders of the sheriff and state highway patrolmen near Columbia, Missouri, the Kansas City Office is requested to have such identification made by use of the enclosed photographs.

The St. Louis Bureau Office will submit the photographs to officers and employees of the Mexico, Missouri, Bank which was robbed about June 12, in an effort to have these subjects identified as the robbers.

Previous reports in this matter indicate that Clyde Barrow has stolen one automobile at Effingham, Ill.; and has abandoned an automobile (stolen) at Effingham, Ill.; also that he abandoned one stolen automobile near Jackson, Mich. Inasmuch as he was evidently living in Joplin, Missouri at the time he murdered the two officers at that place, it is possible that he is now living at some other place in the same manner. This place may be Effingham, Ill. It may also be mentioned here that they turned the car over near Wallington, Texas, and Bonnie Parker was injured in the accident. They then held

up a farmer and made him take them into his home, and when his niece innocently walked to the door and rapped Clyde Barrow began shooting without warning, and shot the girl through the hand. Shortly thereafter the sheriff and chief of police appeared and were stuck up and abducted. The Barrow Boys are known to have at least two submachine guns in their possession. One gun used by them in shooting the stolen car which they abandoned near Coleman, Texas, shoots United States Army Rifle "30-'06" Ammunition.

You may desire to exhibit these photographs to persons in a position to say whether any of these individuals took part in the shooting at Kansas City.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau  
Okla. City  
St. Louis  
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420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

June 22, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
1900 Bankers' Building,  
Chicago, Ill.

Re: CLYDE BARROW, et al,  
Natl. Motor Veh. Theft Act.

Dear Sir:

On or about Sunday, June 3, 1933, the Chicago Tribune, Magazine Section, ran a story concerning the activities of Clyde (Buck) Barrow, Bonnie Parker, et al, and had photographs of Bonnie Parker with a gun pointing at Clyde Barrow; also a photograph of Clyde Barrow standing by a road sign with bullet holes in it. These are full length photographs of these individuals, and Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow are subjects of an investigation in which Dallas is the office of origin.

It is requested, if possible, you obtain from the Chicago Tribune the negative of the film from which they made the pictures, and furnish this office with a number of copies of each.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Bureau  
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GEORGE T. CORRY

SHERIFF COLLINGSWORTH COUNTY

WELLINGTON, TEXAS

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June 23, 1933

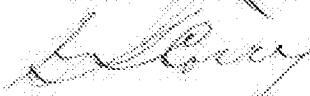
F. J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge  
United States Bureau of Investigation  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Blake:

Re: Clyde Barrow, et al,  
Natl. Motor Vehicle  
Theft Act.

In regard to Hubert Bleigh- he is not the person who met the Barrows near Eric, Oklahoma. This person who met them was in the latter twenties, standing about 5 feet 7 inches in height, weighing about 135 pounds, Moderately dark complexion and inclined to droop forward in the shoulders. If you have pictures of anyone who might be this person Mr. Hardy and I will be glad to see them.

Yours truly,



Sheriff,  
Collingsworth County

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
JUN 25 1933	
DALLAS OFFICE	
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420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

June 27, 1933.

Mr. George T. Corry,  
Sheriff,  
Wellington, Texas.

Re: CLYDE BARROW; et al,  
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Dear Sheriff Corry:

Your letter of June 22nd shows that the man picked up at Eric, Oklahoma, by the Barrows, was in his late 20's, about 5' 7", weighed about 135 pounds, medium dark complexion, and inasmuch as that rather well conforms to the physical description of "Duck" Barrow, I am enclosing herewith a penitentiary photo of that individual, as it may be possible some other person than Duck was with Clyde at the time they abducted you and Chief Hardy, and that Duck was the man picked up at Eric.

All we have in connection with the matter is the newspaper accounts and it will be appreciated if you would kindly give us a resume' of the affair, covering the kind of guns they had, the kind of car they had, how badly Bonnie Parker was injured, and the nature of her injuries, just where they picked up the third individual at Eric, and any of their conversation during the ride which may be useful in getting locations on them in the future. Enclosed also is a circular bearing photograph of Bonnie Parker.

The Barrows have been identified as persons who terrorized the community of Alma, Arkansas, and killed an officer near there Saturday, June 24. They are the toughest bunch of outlaws at large and we are endeavoring to get them located at some hang-out.

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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480 Post Office Bldg.,  
Dallas, Texas.

June 27, 1933.

Special Agent in Charge,  
U.S. Bureau of Investigation,  
224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Re: Clyde Champion Barrow; et al.  
H.M.V.T.A.

Dear Sir:-

Press reports disclose that Clyde and Melvin (Duck) Barrow, together with another man, on Saturday 6/24/33, after robbing a store at Fayetteville, Arkansas, had an automobile accident near Alma, Arkansas, then in a gun fight with town Marshal H.D. Humphrey and Sheriff A.D. Maxey - by use of machine guns - killed Mr. Humphrey. They abandoned a car stolen at Hutchinson, Kansas 6/16/33 - after they had abducted Sheriff O.T. Corry and City Marshal Hardy at Wellington, Texas and tied them up in Oklahoma on 6/11/33. After leaving the car near Alma, Arkansas they were trailed to near Winalow, Arkansas, where at a farm they assaulted and beat a Mrs. John Rogers with a chain when she refused to give them the keys to her car, and then fled on foot to the hills, carrying a machine gun and two automatic pistols.

The newspaper story indicates that the two Barrow brothers and a third man, together with three women, had been staying at a tourist camp at Ft. Smith, Arkansas for a week.

The U.S. Marshal at Dallas, Texas holds a warrant for each Clyde Champion Barrow, and Mrs. Roy Harding (nee Bonnie Parker), alias Mrs. Clyde Barrow, based upon complaint charging violation of the H.M.V.T.A.

For assistance of the Oklahoma City Bureau office in making appropriate investigation at Alma and Ft. Smith, Arkansas, there is enclosed herewith photograph of Robert Bleigh, Oklahoma State Reformatory #7438, with description on the back, as some of the persons who saw the murderers may be able to identify Bleigh. It will be noted that he was sentenced from Creek County for burglary, and was received at the above named institution 11/24/30 and discharged 2/6/31. Bleigh's personal and family history should be obtained through the records of the State Reformatory at Granite and at Bristow, Oklahoma.

A complaint has been filed before the U.S. Commissioner at Dallas, Texas on this date (6/27/33), charging Melvin Ives (Duck) Barrow, Clyde Champion Barrow, and Robert Bleigh, transported in interstate commerce on 4/21/33 a V-8 Ford coach, motor #282523, from Shreveport, Louisiana to Coleman, Texas, theretofore stolen at Shreveport from the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation.

Very truly yours,

CHW:LEF  
cc Bureau  
H.C.

F.J. Elkins,  
Special Agent in Charge.

# U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

224 Federal Building,  
Oklahoma City, Okla.,  
June 28, 1933.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
JUN 29 1933	
DALLAS OFFICE	
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Special Agent in Charge,  
United States Bureau of Investigation,  
Post Office Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: Clyde Champion Barrow, et al  
Nat'l Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 27, 1933, forwarding picture of Hubert Bleigh and requesting investigation at Ft. Smith, Van Buren, and Alma, Ark.

For your information, Hubert Bleigh is subject of Oklahoma City file 15-135, wherein he was convicted at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and sentenced on October 27, 1932, to six months in the County Jail for Theft from Interstate Shipment. In this case about six or seven other defendants were also sentenced. His criminal record is as follows:

As Hubert Bleigh, #883, arr. P.D., Sapulpa, Okla., Nov. 10, 1929; charge burglary; to Creek County.

As Hubert Bleigh, #---, arr. S.O., Wewaka, Okla., Nov. 10, 1929, charge investigation; disposition not given.

As Hubert Bleigh, #7436, received State Ref., Granite, Okla., Nov. 24, 1929, from Creek County; crime, burglary; sentence, 2 yrs.

As James Davis, #11864, arr. P.D., Okla. City, Okla., May 31, 1932; charge not given; held for Tulsa, Okla.

As Hubert Bleigh, #9722, arr. S.O., Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 3, 1932; charge interstate theft; disposition not given. (same offense as #9232)

As Hubert Bleigh, #9232, arr. P.D., Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 3, 1932; charge, larceny of interstate shipment; to U. S. Court

Creek County, Oklahoma, #2561.

His relatives, as disclosed by our file number 15-135, are wife, Imogene, and daughter, about four years old, named Barbara, 1114 S. Quaker Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma; mother, Mrs. Blanche Bleigh, and father, J. L. Bleigh.

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at Jenks, Oklahoma, which is about fifteen miles south of Tulsa, Okla.

Within a day or two I will forward a much more recent picture of Hubert Bleigh than the one you have.

I am forwarding appropriate reports to an Agent at Ft. Smith today for the purpose of having investigation conducted as indicated in your letter.

Very truly yours,



R. H. Colvin,  
Special Agent in Charge.

cc-Bureau.

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Memo:

Douglas Tralok, Supt. "D" Bureau, Dallas  
P.D. advised that the Chief of Police of Hildmore,  
Okla. was in his office June 28<sup>th</sup> and stated  
that on Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, he drove up to where  
a baseball game was in progress at Hildmore  
and recognized Clyde and Buck Barron, in a car  
with another man and at least 2 women; that  
they drove off and he undertook to follow them,  
but lost them in the traffic.

C.B.T.

26-4114-50

GEORGE T. CORRY

SHERIFF COLLINGSWORTH COUNTY  
WELLINGTON, TEXAS

June 30, 1933

F. J. Blake,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
U. S. Bureau of Investigation,  
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Blake:

The city marshal and I do not think that we are wrong in the identity of the Barrow Brothers.

They told of taking Joe Johns, a deputy at Carlsbad New Mexico, for a ride and gave me full details of the affair. The only thing that was said that could have had reference to a hide out was the woman asking if they were going to take us right up to the place and one of them replied that they would avoid that. The man who met them seemed to be familiar with the surroundings but the Barrows seemed very unfamiliar with the country. We met this confederate at a river bridge six miles due west of Sayre, Oklahoma.

We have been informed that there is a hide out in the vicinity of Sayre, located just off the highway in a large two story residence, owned and occupied by a man by the name of Livingston. Those who I have talked to in regards to this seem to think that no information about this man can be received through the Peace Officers in that vicinity.

Yours truly,

  
Sheriff  
Collingsworth County

P. S. These men had two sub-machine guns, one sawed-off  
~~XXXXXX~~ pump shot gun and several automatic pistols.

the woman had two burns on her right leg below the knee- one on the inside calf and the other on the outside. This woman was Bonnie Parker.

26-4114-5



THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Detroit, Michigan**FILE NO. **26-3779**

REPORT MADE AT: <b>Oklahoma City, Okla.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE: <b>7-6-33</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: <b>7-1-33</b>	REPORT MADE BY: <b>R. H. Butterworth</b>
TITLE: <b>CLYDE CHAMPION BARRON with alias MELVIN IVAN BARRON MRS. CLYDE BARRON (nee BONNIE PARKER) MRS. MELVIN IVAN BARRON (nee BLANCHIE CALDWELL) UNKNOWN SUBJECT.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE: <b>National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

W. E. Patrick, Chief of Police, McGehee, Arkansas, found Chevrolet Coach, Motor #3508830, abandoned four miles from McGehee, Ark. near the residence of I. G. Adams on Arkansas City Highway south of McGehee on April 28, 1933 the day after the car was stolen at Ruston, La. The owner of this Chevrolet Coach sent for the car the same day and it was taken back to Ruston, La. about 6:00 P.M. on April 28, 1933. Mr. Patrick stated that he has not secured any information concerning the person who abandoned the Chevrolet Coach near McGehee, Arkansas.

P.

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent L. A. Kindell, New Orleans, La., May 31, 1933.

## DETAILS:

Agent interviewed W. E. Patrick, Chief of Police, McGehee, Arkansas, who stated that he found Chevrolet Coach, Motor #3508830, abandoned on the Arkansas City highway south of McGehee, Arkansas near the residence of I. G. Adams about four miles from McGehee on April 28, 1933, the day after the car was stolen at Ruston, Louisiana. He said that the owner of this car sent for it about 6:00 P.M. the same day and the car was taken back to Ruston, La. by one of the employees of the Chevrolet Company at Ruston the same day it was found at McGehee. Mr. Patrick stated that he has not been able to secure any information concerning the person who abandoned the Chevrolet Coach near McGehee, Arkansas.

Further leads are being covered at Van Buren and Alsea, Arkansas.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

DALLAS, TEXAS.

FILE NO.

26-4114-53

REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS.	DATE WHEN MADE: 7-8-33	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6/29 to 7/4/33	REPORT MADE BY: E. J. BOW.
TITLE (WHICH MAY BE MORE THAN ONE LINE): CLYDE CHAMPION BARROW, alias BOY HAILLY; MELVIN IVAN BARROW, alias DUCK BARROW; HIS. BOY BARROWS (nee Bonnie Parker), alias HIS. CLYDE BARROW; ROBERT BLISS.			CHARACTER OF CASE: NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  On June 10, 1933, Clyde Barrow, Duck Barrow and Bonnie Parker kidnapped Sheriff Corry and Chief of Police Hardy, both of Wellington, Texas, releasing them at Sayre, Oklahoma. Fifteen magazines each containing 30 rounds of .38 calibre, 1908 ammunition and a .45 calibre army automatic pistol, were found in a wrecked Ford Car abandoned by subjects at Wellington. Magazines were identified as being used in Browning Automatic Rifles which probably have been stolen from some armory. The Barrow Brothers and Bonnie Parker were last seen driving through Amarillo, Texas, on June 27, 1933, information having been received that they stole a Ford Car at Hutchinson, Kansas, on June 14, 1933, robbed the Commercial Bank of Alva, Arkansas, on June 21, 1933, and killed H. D. Ragsbury, Town Marshal, Alva, on June 23, 1933, abandoning the stolen car in Arkansas.			
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REFERENCE: Letter to Oklahoma City Office, dated June 27, 1933.			
DETAILS: AT WELLINGTON, TEXAS.  George T. Corry, Sheriff of Collinsworth County, and Paul Hardy, Chief of Police, Wellington, Texas, when interviewed by Agent stated that about midnight, June 10, 1933, a farmer named Sam Pritchard, sent his son-in-law to the sheriff's office and reported that some parties had run off the new highway #4, located seven miles from Wellington; that they were injured badly, especially			
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the woman, stating that there were two men and a woman in a V-8 Ford Coupe; that the car was going about 65 miles per hour when it turned over and started to burn; that Mr. Pritchard, who was nearby at the time, managed to drag the men and the woman who were unconscious and covered with blood, from the burning car. He carried the woman to his house located about 150 yards southeast of where the wreck took place. In the car at the time Pritchard noticed several guns, but the boy who reported the accident told the sheriff that the parties were so badly injured that it would be impossible for them to put up a fight. Corry and Hardy figured that the parties might have been intoxicated and, after calling an ambulance, started to the Pritchard house where they found a woman, later identified as Bonnie Parker, lying on the bed. She had two burns on her leg below the knee and one on the inside and outside of the calf of her right leg. Corry and Hardy introduced themselves as officers. In the meantime the two men, later identified as Clyde and Buck Barrow, left the house and evidently returned to the wrecked car for their guns. Clyde Barrow came into the house carrying what appeared to be a sub-machine gun, and ordered Corry and Hardy to stick up their heads and walk out on the porch. Buck Barrow also appeared on the scene with a sawed-off shot gun while Bonnie Parker got up from the bed and rushed out on the porch and removed a .44 S & W Revolver from Hardy's holster and a .38 calibre Harrington & Richardson Revolver from the possession of Sheriff Corry. While this was going on Pritchard's daughter, who had a baby in her arms, attempted to fasten a latch on one of the doors when Buck Barrow in a very abusive manner told her to halt, and fired the pump shot gun at her, six of the buck shot going through her right head.

Corry and Hardy went to the Pritchard home in Corry's 1935 Chevrolet Coach, which was later commandeered by the Barrows and Bonnie Parker. They marched Corry and Hardy to the car and told them to get into the backseat as they were going to take them for a ride. Before leaving Clyde Barrow went over to Pritchard's 1935 Chevrolet Coach and fired shots into the four tires. Clyde Barrow drove Corry's Car while Bonnie Parker sat in the front seat between Clyde and Buck Barrow. Later on Bonnie Parker rode in the back seat with Corry and Hardy. At all times Buck Barrow kept Corry and Hardy covered with a .45 calibre automatic pistol. Clyde drove on new highway #4 toward Shamrock, Texas, and after circling around the town, got on highway 66 and was going toward Amarillo, Texas when he mentioned that they had a date at midnight near Sayre, Oklahoma which they probably would miss on account of the wreck. When told by Corry they were going in the wrong direction Clyde Barrow turned the car around and started back on highway 66 toward Sayre, Oklahoma. After following a number of indirect dirt roads Clyde Barrow came to a bridge about six miles west of Sayre and by means of signals with the automobile horn and lights, he met a confederate who seemed to be very familiar with the surroundings. The confederate's car was parked at the east end of the bridge. Clyde Barrow got out of Corry's Chevrolet Car with the alleged machine gun which stopped at the west end of the bridge and walked across the bridge where he met the confederate who is described as being a man of about 50 years of age, 5' 7", dark complexion. The confederate returned to Clyde's car with an alleged machine gun similar to the one carried by Clyde, and in a conversation

with Clyde Barrow, suggested that they kill Corry and Hardy, however, Clyde stated that although he swore he would never again release anyone he kidnapped without killing them, he was beginning to like Corry and Hardy.

Clyde Barrow and the confederate took Corry and Hardy out of the car and walked them about 300 yards up the river where they handcuffed Corry's right hand to Hardy with the sheriff's handcuffs. The confederate then tied Corry and Hardy to a tree and left them there. In about twenty minutes they freed themselves and after following the tracks of Corry's Chevrolet Car, found it abandoned about three miles west of where they were tied. In the meantime they noticed the dim lights of two cars on the other side of the river going toward a large house which was afterwards located by them as a ranch owned and occupied by one Livingston whose son had been tried and acquitted of bank robbery.

A photograph of Hubert Hloigh, a confederate of the Barrows, was exhibited to Sheriff Corry and Chief of Police Hardy, but they stated this was not the man they saw at the bridge and who tied them to the tree.

During the ride in the car with the Barrows and Bonnie Parker, Corry and Hardy advised Agent that Clyde Barrow was very talkative while Buck Barrow hardly talked; that Bonnie Parker gave instructions on the trip, and when they were nearing the bridge she cautioned Clyde Barrow about going too near to the place where they intended to stop. Clyde Barrow replied he did not intend to let his prisoners know where he was going and would let them out quite a number of miles before reaching their ultimate destination.

Corry and Hardy stated that the Barrows and Bonnie Parker were covered all over with blood due to the wreck at Wellington, and that it would be absolutely necessary for them to stop off somewhere in order to clean up and change their clothes. Clyde was dressed in dark pants and a white shirt with no hat and was wearing only one shoe, the other shoe having been left behind at Wellington where it was found by Sheriff Corry. Buck Barrow had on dark pants and light shirt and was wearing a cheap Panama Hat turned down. Bonnie Parker was dressed in a cheap print dress and at the time was bare-footed inasmuch as she had removed her shoes and stockings while at the Fritchard's house. During the entire trip in the car Clyde Barrow kept on the left side of him while driving what appeared to be a machine gun, (later identified as a sawed-off Browning Automatic Rifle), and two automatic .45 calibre army pistols, while Buck Barrow had a similar machine gun along side of him and a sawed-off pump shot gun together with a .45 calibre automatic army pistol. When any other car approached them in either direction Clyde Barrow would give the signal to be prepared and Bonnie Parker would reach over and get two of the .45 army automatic pistols while Clyde and Buck Barrow were ready for action with the alleged machine guns.

On the trip in a conversation with Sheriff Corry and Chief Hardy, Clyde asked Corry if he ever heard of the Barrow Brothers and whether he was ever instructed to hunt them, and when Corry replied in the negative Clyde told Corry he was Clyde Barrow and that if he knew Corry was hunting the Barrows he would immediately kill him, also telling Corry that it was a good thing that only he and Hardy appeared on the scene because had there been more he would have killed every one who attempted to capture them.

Clyde also informed Corry and Hardy that he and one Hamilton were obliged to kidnap Deputy Sheriff Johns some time ago at Grisham, New Mexico and they carried Johns to San Antonio, Texas where they released him. Clyde bragged to Corry and Hardy about being obliged to kill six men who had attempted to capture him.

In the wrecked V Ford Coupe bearing Oklahoma 1933 license plates 303-054 which car is said to have been stolen at Madill, Oklahoma, there was found a cheap suitcase with several soiled shirts and Kansas 1933 license plates 2-1514 and 1933 Arkansas License Plates 61-133 and a .45 Colt's Automatic Pistol, model of 1911, U. S. Army serial #481697; also fifteen magazines each containing 25 rounds of 38 calibre 1906 ammunition, one of which was turned over to Agent for further investigation by Sheriff Corry. In connection with the Kansas and Arkansas License Plates, Clyde Barrow remarked to Buck Barrow on the trip that they did a "dash trick" in leaving the plates behind because they could be easily traced, and Clyde insisted upon going back to get the plates but Bonnie Parker objected.

By letter the Dallas Office is tracing ownership of the Oklahoma, Kansas and Arkansas License Plates referred to.

With the exception of the sawed-off pump shot gun and the three .45 Army Colt's Automatics in possession of the Barrows and Bonnie Parker, Sheriff Corry and Chief of Police Hardy were unable to accurately describe the so-called machine guns referred to above, stating they never saw a machine gun, sub-machine gun or Browning Automatic Rifle. The only description they could give was that the alleged machine gun had a very short stock and an exceedingly wide sawed-off barrel, and they noticed that it contained a similar magazine found in the wrecked car, attached to the gun.

Corry and Hardy advised Agent that Livingston's Ranch located out of Sayre, Oklahoma, is well known to peace officers at Sayre who cannot be depended upon for information; that there is a large two story house on the premises where it is said a large still is in operation and, according to their information, the place is guarded by two machine guns. They further stated that from their preliminary investigation Livingston's son as described to them, is not the confederate who met the Barrows at the bridge.

Sheriff Corry advised Agent that on June 26, he received a special delivery letter from the sheriff of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, requesting information and photographs of the Barrows and Bonnie Parker; that the sheriff was particularly interested to know whether Bonnie Parker had been burned about the legs in the auto wreck in Wellington as the Ft. Smith Sheriff's investigation indicated that the Barrows and another man and three women, one of them suspected as being Bonnie Parker, registered at a tourist camp near Ft. Smith, Arkansas, on June 15, 1933, at 2: A. M., and remained there until June 21, robbing a bank at Alma, at which time they tied up City Marshal Humphrey, and on June 23 killed him while committing another robbery, making their escape after abandoning a V-8 Ford Car said to have been stolen at Hutchinson, Kansas, on June 14, 1933. The sheriff at Ft. Smith indicated that Clyde and Buck Barrow had been identified and that one of the women stopping at the tourist camp for over a week, was receiving treatment for burns on her legs.



According to Corry and Hardy, when the Barrows held them up with the alleged machine guns, the Barrows were exceedingly nervous and very abusive and it was quite some time before they calmed down. They stated that Bonnie Parker was also of a nervous and high-strung type; that at the least provocation they believed the Barrows and Bonnie Parker would not hesitate to kill anyone.

Sheriff Corry advised Agent that Clyde Barrow, who did not appear to know the surroundings or roads from Wallington, Texas to Sayre, Oklahoma, made several inquiries on the way and told persons along the road just where they wanted to go. In this connection Bonnie Parker was studying a road map on which there appeared to be indicated a place where they intended to go located about 180 yards from the highway and some distance from a bridge that goes over a river near Sayre, Oklahoma. It was at this bridge that the Barrows met their confederate as mentioned above, and a short distance therefrom tied Corry and Hardy to the tree.

#### AT WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS.

Agent conferred with Major John H. Fletcher, Commander of the Texas National Guard, Wichita Falls. After exhibiting to him the magazine containing the 30 rounds of ammunition, he immediately identified it as one that is used exclusively in a Browning Automatic Rifle, stating that the ammunition therein was army service ammunition 30 calibre, 1903, the cartridges being manufactured in 1918 by the United States Cartridge Company. He further stated that the same ammunition could be used in army service rifles and Browning Machine Guns. For expert opinion on the magazine and ammunition, he called in Captain J. L. Steinhornig, commanding officer, company L, 142nd Infantry, who he stated was a qualified expert on guns and ammunition.

After seeing the magazine and examining the ammunition, Captain Steinhornig stated that the magazine only fitted a Browning Automatic Rifle, one of the most deadly weapons manufactured, and which is used by the United States Army. He stated that the ammunition contained in the magazine, which has a capacity of 30 cartridges, is known as 30 calibre 1903, manufactured in 1918 by the United States Cartridge Company; that the same is regular United States Army Ammunition and can be used in the regular service rifle or machine gun.

According to Captain Steinhornig, the Browning Automatic Rifle, calibre, .30M1918, is an air-cooled gas operated, magazine-fed, shoulder weapon. It has no special cooling system, the barrel being exposed to the air, and the hand of the firer being protected on the underside of the barrel by a large wooden forearm. He stated that the rifle has a forward recoil, and is fed from a magazine having 30 cartridges; that it can be fired effectively from any position and easily operated by an amateur, and is considered much more effective than a Thompson sub machine gun. He stated that the Browning Automatic Rifle weighs about 16 pounds, has a muzzle velocity of about 2700 feet per second; has a cycle rate of fire of 600 shots per minute, and can be fired effectively at the rate of 60 to 80 shots per minute. It has three positions: automatic, semi-automatic and safe. When adjusted automatic, the rifle will fire until all the ammunition in the magazine is exhausted, and then by pressing the magazine catch, the magazine will fall

of its own weight and a fresh magazine can be immediately inserted. The Browning Automatic Rifle, according to Captain Steinhornig, will kill at three miles, and it has an effective range up to 1500 yards. Captain Steinhornig further advised that to his knowledge the Browning Automatic Rifles are only sold for United States Army Service, and the two alleged Browning Automatic Rifles in possession of the Barrows have probably been stolen from some armory; that the Barrows probably sawed off the barrel about six inches including the front sight. The object of sawing off the barrel is probably for the purpose of handling them in an automobile and close places, and gives them the appearance of a sub machine gun. Captain Steinhornig further stated that a Browning Automatic Rifle is equipped with a leather sling, which is thrown over the shoulder when operating the gun. He further advised Agent that unless peace officers are equipped with similar weapons and experienced in the use of them, it is practically suicide for anyone to attempt to combat or capture criminals who use Browning Automatic Rifles.

At the Wichita Falls Police Department, Detective E. B. Dowdy stated that Buck Barrow is well known to the officers; that before he went to the penitentiary he was arrested at Wichita Falls, Texas; that the Barrows have been known to hide out at the American Hotel, Wichita Falls, and he would not be surprised if they had not passed through Wichita Falls, Texas on June 10, 1933, on their way to Wellington, Texas, where they kidnaped Sheriff Curry and Chief of Police Hardy, as the police cooperating with the Texas Rangers arrested on June 21, 1933, Fannie Wolfe, a beauty operator, 1405 Travis Street, Wichita Falls, a former sweetheart of one of the confederates of the Barrows. At the time of her arrest, Detective Dowdy stated she had about \$500 on her person. She was taken by the Texas Rangers to Ft. Worth, Texas, where she was turned over to the sheriff at Ladwange, Texas, on a charge of perjury in connection with testifying falsely at the trial of two former confederates of the Barrows, now serving time in the penitentiary.

Detective Dowdy confidentially advised Agent that the police department at Wichita Falls, Texas, is not properly equipped to combat the Barrows and other criminals who are said to be using machine guns; that the department in the last two days has been authorized to purchase machine guns following the killing of one officer and shooting of another recently by a bandit. He further advised Agent that the Bureau of Identification of the Wichita Falls Police Department has late photographs of the Barrows and Hubert Bleigh and Bonnie Parker, and every effort will be made to capture the Barrows dead or alive if the opportunity presents itself at Wichita Falls, Texas.

#### AT AMARILLO, TEXAS.

Agent was advised by Sgt. R. E. Bush in charge of the Texas Highway Patrol, Amarillo, Texas, that Clyde and Buck Barrow and Bonnie Parker were positively identified by three employees at one of the regular gasoline stations as stopping off at Amarillo on June 27, 1933, for two quarts of the best oil and six gallons of cheap gasoline, at which time there was noticed in the car an alleged machine gun (probably Browning Automatic Rifle) and sawed-off pump shot gun. Clyde as usual was driving the car appeared talkative and asked which road to take to Borger, Texas. Sgt. Bush stated that the employees accurately described Clyde

and Buck and Bonnie Parker, but failed to report the matter for quite some time afterwards; that he and Highway Patrolman Kaffer and other officers started out with high power rifles for Barker, and made a complete search in the vicinity but were unable to get any information whatever of the Barrows being at Barker, Texas. Sgt. Reuth advised Agent that he and other officers, including Sheriff, police and constables will be on the lookout for the Barrows, and knowing what dangerous criminals they are, no chances will be taken with them, and in the event they are located, they hope to capture them dead or alive.

#### AT DALLAS, TEXAS.

On June 27, on authority of Assistant United States Attorney, Mrs. S. C. Newman, a complaint was filed at Dallas, against Melvin Evans (Buck) Barrow, Robert Elmer and Clyde G. Barrow, in which they are charged jointly with having on or about April 30, 1935, transported Y-8 Ford Coach, motor 1B-32233, from Shreveport, La., to Coleman, Texas, theretofore stolen from the Arkansas National Gas Corporation, Shreveport, La.

This complaint is additional to the one theretofore filed charging Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker with violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.

#### UNDEVELOPED LEADS

KANSAS CITY OFFICE is requested to ascertain if one of the armories at Kansas City, Missouri or Kansas City, Kansas, was burglarized in the last year, and if so whether any .45 calibre Colt's Automatic Pistols, model 1911, were stolen. One of these pistols bearing U. S. Army serial No. 451897, used by the Barrows was found at Wellington, Texas. Also ascertain if any Browning Automatic Rifles were stolen from the Armory, as it has now been definitely established that the Barrows have two of these rifles.

The information set out in this report particularly as to the .45 cal. Colt's Army Automatic and Browning Automatic Rifles, Cal. 30.06, ammunition used 30 calibre, 1906, might be considered in connection with the recent killing of Special Agent Coffey and the other officers at Kansas City on June 17, 1935.

OKLAHOMA CITY OFFICE is requested to interview the sheriff at Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and obtain all information possible concerning the alleged Y-8 Ford Car abandoned in Arkansas and reported stolen at Hutchinson, Kansas, on June 14, 1935. It might be well to definitely ascertain, if possible, whether the Barrows and Bonnie Parker were actually in the tourist camp from 3 A.M., June 15 and including June 25, 1935, bearing in mind that special agent Coffey and other officers were murdered at Kansas City, Mo., on June 17, the Barrows being among the suspects.

This report contains information furnished by Sheriff Corry and Chief of Police Hardy to the effect that the Barrows probably hide out in Livingston's Place near Sayre, Okla., where it is said two machine guns are used in guarding the place. A diagram as furnished by them is enclosed for the information of the Oklahoma City Office.



The Oklahoma City Office is to use its own discretion in conducting any investigation at Sayre, Oklahoma, where it is said that the officers cannot be relied upon, and in view of the fact that the Dallas Office has definitely established that the Barrows are equipped with sawed-off Browning Automatic Rifles, the most dead weapons manufactured, care should be exercised.

PENDING.

NOTE: BY S.A.C. Blake:

Extreme caution should be exercised in any investigation conducted in this case. Clyde Barrow does not hesitate to kill even without provocation.

Any attempt to search a suspected hideout of these killers, or effort to arrest them, should be carefully planned and executed only by experienced officers, all of whom should be well armed.

420 Federal Building,  
Dallas, Texas.

July 8, 1933.

State Highway Department,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

Re: CLYDE BARNOW, et al,  
Natl. Motor Veh. Theft Act.

This office is conducting an investigation in connection with Kansas License Plates 8-1314, which were found in an abandoned car.

Will you please furnish me with the name, address of the person to whom the above license number was issued together with make and model of car, with motor number, and advise if the plate or car has been reported stolen at any time.

A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

F. J. BLAKE,  
Special Agent in Charge.

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